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A L I E N S.

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| Foreigners | A LIENS or foreigners may lend money at lawful interest on real security in this island | 13 | 1 |
| | If security becomes forfeited, the legal estate to vest in public trustees; in whose names the lender may prosecute, but not enter or foreclose | — | 2 |
| Indians | Indians brought to this island since the 28th of December 1741, and their descendants, declared free | 53 | 1 |
| | Penalty on persons buying or selling Indians, 500 l. | — | 2 |
| Felony | Persons kidnapping, stealing, or transporting Indians from their settlements or elsewhere, for sale, to suffer death without benefit of clergy | — | 2 |
| A S S E M B L Y O F J A M A I C A. | | | |
| Writs of election | Forty days to be between the teste and return of writs for choosing members for the assembly | 71 | 2 |
| | Warrants for elections to be transmitted by the Provost-Marshal to the Custos or Justices, directed to the Constables, and by the Justices to be signed and delivered to them | — | 2 |
| | Penalty on the several officers for neglecting their duty in executing the writ | — | 4 |
| | Summonses for electing members, if not executed on the day appointed, not to be renewed until the meeting of the assembly. | — | 3 |
| Elections | Two former election acts, one passed in 1753, and the other in 1756, repealed | — | 1 |
| | Separate days of election to be for each parish | — | 3 |
| Poll | Poll for electing members to begin between the hours of eight and nine in the morning, and continue until six in the afternoon.—No adjournment of the poll allowed | — | 3 |
| | In what manner the marshal to take the poll, and where to be held.—In case of controverted elections, poll to be transmitted to, and recorded in the Secretary's Office, under oath of the person taking it—and penalty | — | 12 |
| Troops | No troops allowed to be under arms in the parish on the days of election | — | 5 |
| El-ctors | El-ctors not to be sent out in parties on days of election, except in case of invasion, &c.—and penalty | — | 5 |

| | | Act. | Clause. |
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| Electors. | Qualification of electors particularly described, and who are to make oath of such qualifications, if required | 71 | 6-8 |
| | Rectors of the several parishes allowed to vote at elections without oath | — | 10 |
| | Penalty on persons, other than the Provost-Marshal or his lawful deputy, for presuming to administer the oath to electors, or open the poll | — | 9 |
| | Provost-Marshal or his deputies taking the poll, not allowed to vote at elections until they have declared the nature of their freehold on oath, if required—and swearing falsely, how punishable | — | 11 |
| | Who to have a right of voting in cases of trust estates or mortgages | — | 15 |
| | No person to vote at elections under the age of twenty-one, of which oath to be taken, if required | — | 16 |
| | No person not removed above three degrees exclusive, from Negro ancestors, entitled to vote at elections | — | 19 |
| | Electors committing wilful perjury at elections, how punishable | — | 8 |
| | All deeds and conveyances fraudulently or collusively made purposely to qualify any person to vote at elections, declared absolute against the grantor; and persons making the same or being privy thereto, to forfeit 500l. | — | 14 |
| | Every member returned to sit in the Assembly, to swear to his qualification | — | 18 |
| Negro descendants | The members of Assembly, or any three of them, appointed Commissioners for settling the public accounts with the Receiver-general, during vacations | 25 | 1 |
| Perjury | On petitions complaining of undue elections or returns being presented to the Assembly, a time to be appointed for considering the same, and notice thereof given by the Speaker to the petitioners and members, accompanied with an order to attend | 68 | 1 |
| Collusive conveyances | Notice to be given to all parties concerned, of the day appointed, &c.—When petitions may be taken into consideration, and in what time to be presented after the return made to which they relate | — | 2 |
| Members of Assembly | On the day appointed, how the House to proceed respecting such petition, and in what manner to chuse a select committee for determining the merits | — | 3-8 |
| | The powers, proceedings, sittings, adjournments, &c. of the select committee regulated | — | 9-18 |
| Public accounts | To consist of thirteen members—if unavoidably reduced to less than eleven, to be dissolved, all their proceedings void, and another committee chosen | — | 7, 16 |
| Petitions | Oaths in the House and Select Committees to be administered by the respective clerks—Persons guilty of perjury in giving their evidence, how punishable | — | 19 |
| Select Committee | Duration of the Assembly limited to seven years from the day appointed by the writ of summons for their meeting | 67 | 1 |
| | Notwithstanding the Assembly be dissolved or at an end, the late members may sit and vote at councils of war | 112 | 35 |

BARRACKS.

| | | |
|--|----|------|
| Barracks at Oracabessa and Jack's Bay in St. Mary's, declared public | 7 | 1 |
| Barracks to be provided in St. Dorothy's | 9 | 2 |
| And others to be built in St. Thomas in the Vale | 98 | 1, 2 |

BRIDGES.

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| | Bridges to be built in parishes where there are none, and taxes raised for that purpose | 19 | 1 |
| Rio Cobre | Trustees appointed for building a Bridge over the Rio Cobre, near St. Jago de la Vega in St. Catherine's | 35 | 1 |
| | Maliciously to blow up, pull down, or destroy the same, declared felony | — | 5 |
| Rio Bueno | Bridge to be built over the Rio Bueno dividing the parishes of St. Anna and Tre-lawny, and a tax raised by those two parishes and that of St. James | 104 | 1, 8 |

BRIDGE, and ROAD ACTS, (particular)

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| Saint Catherine | Trustees appointed for building a Bridge over the Rio Cobre near St. Jago de la Vega, empowered to make contracts, and to raise a subscription not exceeding 4000l. for that purpose—and their proceedings regulated | 35 | 1-9 |
| | Former act for building said Bridge passed in 1767, repealed | — | 1 |
| | A road to be laid out from said Bridge into the King's road nearest the Toll-gate at the | — | the |

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| | the Ferry, by a jury to be summoned by a justice's warrant, and under the trustees direction | 35 | 10 |
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| St. Andrew, &c. | And a road to be laid out in like manner from the Ferry in the parish of St. Andrew over Hunt's Bay to the town of Kingston; and another from Halfway Tree Church into said road from the Ferry to Kingston—other trustees appointed for this purpose | — | 11—14 |
| | Justices and Vestry of St. Andrew empowered to assess the Inhabitants to furnish Negroes for making the above road in that parish | — | 14 |
| | The trustees to keep in repair the whole of the road from St. Jago de la Vega to Kingston, and the Bridges over Salt River and the several springs in the road | — | 15 |
| Ferry-Toll | Trustees or any seven of them may contract with any person for amending the road and erecting a Toll-gate at the Ferry—rates of the toll—persons passing to and fro the same day to pay but one toll—trustees may levy for toll if not paid | — | 16—18 |
| | Penalty for permitting any person to pass through lands near the turnpike, to evade payment of toll | — | 19 |
| | Monies arising from the tolls, to be applied in repairing the roads and bridges | — | 35 |
| | The property of the Turnpike and Toll-gate vested in the Trustees, for the purposes in this act—May be removed on application of the contractors | — | 28 |
| | Contractors for repairing the road may erect one of the Toll-gates on any part of the road, and must attend the same, and build and repair the Bridges | — | 29 |
| | Persons wantonly pulling down the Turnpike, how punishable | — | 30 |
| | Seven or more Trustees empowered to meet, to give notice, receive proposals, and make contracts; to examine Contractors accounts, and into the condition of the roads and bridges | — | 20—22 |
| | The Commissioners appointed in act 35, made a body politic and corporate; to have a common seal, and to sue and be sued as a Corporation | 43 | 2 |
| | Corporation empowered to borrow money for a certain term, and to convey and assure the tolls as a security for a sum not exceeding 5000l. for the purposes in that act mentioned | — | 3, 4 |
| | Any of the members may lend money to the Corporation | — | 5 |
| | May mortgage the toll revenues to persons contracting for building the Bridge, making the road, and keeping them in repair—Such Contractors to give security for performance | — | 6 |
| | All securities given by the Corporation under the common seal, made transferable | — | 7 |
| | So much of act 35 as authorizes the Commissioners to contract with any person for receiving the tolls repealed | — | 11 |
| | And Commissioners empowered and required to appoint a Receiver or Collector of the toll duties, &c. | — | 12 |
| Collector of tolls | Collector of tolls to pay over monthly the monies received for toll duties to the Treasurer to be appointed by the Commissioners, and to keep an exact book of entries and swear to his accounts | — | 13 |
| | If Collector neglect or refuse to account for the monies received, and being thereof convicted, a Magistrate may by warrant cause the amount thereof to be levied on his effects by distress and sale; and if no effects, commit him to gaol | — | 14 |
| Treasurer | Treasurer of the Corporation to keep an exact book of accounts, and deliver copies thereof quarterly to the Trustees, who are to give him a release, and deliver such accounts annually to the Assembly | — | 15 |
| | Commissioners, if need be, may raise, lower, or alter the toll duties | — | 16 |
| | This deemed a public act | — | 9 |
| | More Commissioners superadded to and incorporated with the former, in act 43 | 49 | 1 |
| | Empowered to borrow a further sum of money not exceeding 5000l. for the above purposes, and to convey and assure the tolls as a security | — | 2 |
| | And empowered to lay out 1500l. in the purchase of an acre of land and building a Toll-house thereon at the Ferry | — | 4 |
| | If the owner of the land fixed on refuse to sell it, a Magistrate to issue his warrant for summoning a Jury to lay out and value the same; and the Corporation to take it at the valuation.—Penalty on the Justices, Constables and Jury-men, neglecting their duty therein | — | 4 |
| | This act deemed public | — | 5 |
| Contractors | Contractors may collect and use materials for the roads out of the adjacent lands, under certain restrictions, and allowing for damages: May remove annoyances, &c. make causeways and drains, and erect and repair bridges | 35 | 24—26 |
| | May erect a house near the bridge over the Salt River, so as not to obstruct the road | — | 27 |

Governor

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| | | Act. | Clause |
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| Governor | Governor to issue a warrant to the Marshal for summoning a Jury—and the manner of fixing and making compensation to the owners of lands through which the roads pass | 35 | 34 |
| | Penalty on Justices, Constables, Jury-men and Provost-Marshal, for neglecting their duties under this act. | — | 13, 34 |
| Actions | Actions brought for any thing done in pursuance of this act, to be commenced within six months, and tried in the Supreme Court—Defendant to plead the general issue, and Suitor if cast, to pay treble costs | — | 33 |
| | This act deemed public | — | 36 |
| CARRIAGES. | | | |
| Westmoreland | Carriages for conveyance of produce in the parish of Westmoreland, to have fellyes not less than nine inches broad, except on the road eastward of the Cave, on pain of being seized and condemned | 31 | 1 |
| | Or must have axle-trees of different prescribed lengths | — | 2 |
| Justices | Justices of said parish to condemn plantation carriages to sale, whose wheels are not of the prescribed breadth in the fellyes | — | 1 |
| CATTLE and STOCK. | | | |
| Horses | The act passed in 1772, for encouraging the breed of horses, repealed | 63 | 1 |
| Slaves | Possessors of plantations or penns knowingly having thereon any horses, &c. the reputed property of a slave, to cause the same to be taken up and sold at public outcry, and penalty | 64 | 1 |
| | Same clause repeated | 91 | 39 |
| | Penalty on possessors of plantations or penns, for permitting slaves to keep horses, &c. thereon | 64 | 2 |
| | Same clause | 91 | 40 |
| | Possessors of plantations or penns on giving in their accounts of slaves and stock to the Vestry, to make oath that none of such stock belong to slaves, &c. | 64 | 3 |
| | Same clause repeated | 91 | 41 |
| | Slaves purchasing horses, &c. to forfeit the same.—Penalty on persons selling horses, &c. to slaves, or purchasing the same in trust for them | 64 | 4 |
| | Same clause | 91 | 42 |
| Horse stealing. | Persons driving away or stealing any horse, gelding or other cattle, or disguising or defacing their marks, to suffer death without benefit of clergy | 88 | 1 |
| Sheep, &c. | Driving away or stealing sheep, goats, &c. felony | — | 2 |
| CHURCH-WARDENS. | | | |
| Ministers | Penalty on Church-wardens for paying stipends to Ministers not residing and officiating in their respective parishes | 6 | 3 |
| Taxes | Church-wardens under the direction of the Justices and Vestry, to disburse the taxes raised for building gaols, and account with them for the same | 17 | 2, 5 |
| | To take bond from the Collecting-constables before roll delivered them—and penalty | — | 6 |
| Body Politic. | And also for collecting the Quit-rents and paying the same to the Receiver-general | 113 | 22 |
| | The Church-wardens of the several parishes for the better regulation of taxes, are made a body politic and corporate, and to sue and be sued as a corporation | 28 | 3 |
| | Empowered to take out Writs of Venditioni against Constables securities, and also against the Constables themselves for not paying over taxes received | 29 | 2 |
| Poor | Required to pass transient poor from parish to parish until they reach the public hospital at Kingston | 55 | 3 |
| Licences | Required to keep separate accounts of the duties paid for hawkers and pedlars licences, and how to apply the same—and penalty for misapplication | 95 | 4, 9 |
| | Required to carry hawkers and pedlars apprehended for trading without a licence, before a Magistrate | — | 8 |
| Martial-Law | Required to do their duty in time of Martial-law,—and penalty | 61 | 5 |
| Coroners | To pay Coroners their fees for taking Inquisitions on persons found dead, and left no effects, 3l. each | 5 | 1 |
| | To receive security from persons manumising slaves, for the payment of Five Pounds per annum | 33 | 1 |

CLERGY.

An ABRIDGMENT of the ACTS.

C L E R G Y.

Act. Clause.

Ministers

Penalty on beneficed ministers not residing and officiating in their proper parishes, for demanding their stipends (except where no Parsonage-house, or in case of sickness) Chaplains to the Governor, Council and Assembly, excepted - 6
 Penalty on Church-wardens and Vestry-men paying stipends in those cases - 3
 But beneficed ministers may employ qualified Curates, and demand their stipends - 4
 Penalty on Incumbents for officiating as Ministers or Curates in any other parish than their own - 5
 No beneficed minister to depart the island, without the Governor's licence - 7
 Are allowed to vote at elections in their own parish, without oath - 71 10

C O N S T A B L E S.

Taxes

Constables for the several parishes (except Port-Royal, St. Catherine and Kingston) to be chosen by the Justices and Vestry, or by the Justices in sessions - 58 1, 2
 Former act passed in 1716, for the more easy serving of Constables, repealed - 4
 Constables to collect the taxes for building Gaols, and on non-payment may distrain, and give notice of sale - 17 2-4
 And give security to account - 6
 To collect the taxes for building Churches, Parsonage-house, &c. and may distrain for non-payment - 19 3
 Collecting-constables to whom rolls are delivered for collecting parochial taxes, to account for on oath, and pay over the same every month to the Church-wardens - 29 1
 Penalty for refusing to make oath and render accounts - 4
 Made amenable to the Supreme Court—how punishable thereby for neglect of duty - 2
 Made liable to pay the Church-wardens their expences of preferring complaints against them to the Supreme Court - 3

Martial Law

Required and empowered to collect and distrain for taxes during Martial-law - 61 5
 Required to give security before a magistrate to the amount of the goods distrained, to make restitution upon any Replevin in case judgment pass therein against them - 6
 Required to execute writs, warrants, or other process, and orders coming to their hands for the purposes in this act mentioned, during Martial-law - and penalty - 3

Freeholders

Required to serve warrants to warn freeholders to attend the elections of members of assembly, five days at least before the election - 71 2
 Penalty for neglect of their duty therein - 4

Slaves

Constables, on warrants, required to apprehend inveiglers of slaves, and carry them before a judge or justice - 74 6
 Also to apprehend the slaves inveigled - 8
 And to summon a jury and execute warrants for levying fines laid on witnesses for non-attendance - 9
 Required to return executed all warrants and summonses directed to them, to the judge or justices, at the time therein mentioned—and penalty - 11
 To execute warrants for levying fines, &c. imposed by this act, (except those on justices) and to pay the same to the Receiver-General, under penalty of double the sum not paid—deducting the Complainant's costs and commission at Five Pounds per cent. and Five Pounds for executing warrants - 23

Martial law

Constables neglecting to take up slaves found at public places of resort without tickets, may be fined Forty Shillings - 91 10
 Constables, or any officer civil or military, empowered to enter into any place to suppress and prevent drumming, and concourse of Negroes - 13
 To levy fines by warrant, on jurors, for not attending trials under this act - 55
 Empowered to execute their duty under this act, notwithstanding Martial-law - 74 26
 Empowered under a Magistrate's warrant, to pull down Negro-houses, &c. built contrary to the meaning of this act - 53

Vagabonds

Constables not taking up vagabonds, and carrying them before a Magistrate, deemed a neglect of duty - 82 4

Hawkers and Pedlars

Same clause - 119 4
 May demand a sight of Hawkery and Pedlary licences, and if found trading without any, to carry them before a Magistrate - 95 3, 8
 Penalty for neglect of duty, Five Pounds - 7

Constables

| | | Act. | Clause. |
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| Quit-Rents | Constables to whom rolls and warrants are delivered, empowered to collect the Quit-rents and pay the same to the Receiver-General, retaining one shilling in the pound for collecting, except in the principal towns, and there only six-pence—and for non-payment, may distrain and sell, giving due notice: But no slave to be distrained, if other distress can be found | 113 | 19 |
| | Made amenable to the Supreme Court for neglect of duty—and how punishable | — | 21 |
| Freightage | Penalty for neglecting their duty under this act | — | 24 |
| | Constables under Magistrates warrants, to distrain and sell the goods of persons shipping merchandize on board coasting vessels for non-payment of freightage, and to keep one shilling in the pound for their trouble | 115 | 4 |
| | Empowered in like manner, as to masters of coasting vessels, for injuring or adulterating rum or wines shipped on board on freight | — | 11, 12 |
| | To collect the taxes for repairing the highways, deducting two and a half per cent. and pay the same to the Way-wardens within sixty days—and penalty | 117 | 3 |
| | Required to execute warrants under this act by distress and sale, giving due notice; and pay the money to the Church-wardens, deducting Two shillings and six-pence in the pound | — | 13 |
| | Penalty for neglect | — | 19 |
| Contraband Goods | And to execute Writs of Assistance issued by Magistrates, to search for contraband goods—and penalty | 118 | 6 |
| COURTS and JUDGES. | | | |
| Inferior Courts | Penalty on the Custos, Chief, and Assistant Judges of the courts of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, for permitting persons to practise as attornies, who are not admitted in the Supreme Court | 15 | 6 |
| Attornies and Solicitors | No person to be permitted to practise as an attorney or solicitor of the courts of this island, until duly admitted | — | 1 |
| | Attornies not to article clerks under sixteen years of age, nor for less than five years.—Articles to be recorded within three months | — | 2, 3 |
| | Not to be admitted without examination, and oath made of having served out their time | — | 4 |
| | Penalty on attornies for permitting any persons, except their own clerks, to practise in their names | — | 5 |
| | Penalty on persons for practising in the inferior courts, who are not admitted in the Grand Court | — | 6 |
| | Upon attornies dying, their articulated clerks to be turned over to others, to serve the remainder of their time | — | 7 |
| | Articles entered into at the passing of this act, to be recorded in three months, and the time served allowed | — | 8 |
| | Supreme Court and Courts of Assize not to set aside proceedings of justices on complaints of forcible entry and detainer for want of form only, if facts proved | 20 | 2 |
| Forcible Entry | On action brought for forcible entry and detainer, court to give judgment for double the damages assessed, besides costs | — | 3 |
| Martial Law | Judges of the supreme court may sign Writs of Restitution during Martial-law | 61 | 3 |
| | And are empowered, during such times, to act in all criminal matters | — | 2 |
| Arrests | And to sign Writs of Arrest or Foreign Attachment against persons going off the island, during Martial-law | — | 1 |
| Courts | Duration of the sittings of the Supreme Court and Courts of Assize limited.—This act not to restrain an adjournment, if the business be finished | 26 | 1, 2 |
| | One Judge only may open and adjourn | — | 3 |
| Judges | Judges of the Supreme Court and Courts of Assize, not to be removed from their offices, but by his Majesty | 70 | 1 |
| Governor | But the Governor, by advice of the Council, may suspend them until his Majesty's pleasure be known; giving them a copy of the cause of suspension | — | 1 |
| Revenue | Judges of the Supreme Court invested with as full authority as the Court of Exchequer in England, to decide in matters touching the revenue | 52 | 1 |
| Examinations | Empowered to take the examination of witnesses going off the island, during vacations, in actions brought for recovery of debts. Subpoena to be served, and notice given | 69 | 1 |
| Perjury | Punishment of persons committing perjury on taking such examinations | — | 2 |

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| | | Act. | Clause. |
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| Surveyors | Judges of the Supreme Court not to allow on taxation of Surveyors bills, more than in this act mentioned | 73 | 9 |
| | Not to tax Surveyors bills without oath made of the work being done, and the diagram being shewn and charges explained | — | 12 |
| | Court to enforce payment of the taxed bills by attachment—provided notice of the taxation has been given, and oath of service made | — | 13 |
| | Court to appoint persons to examine into the qualifications of Surveyors, before they are permitted to act | — | 11 |
| Ejectments | In what manner Surveyors are to be appointed by the court in actions of ejectment | — | 15 |
| Bribery | Court to fine Surveyors so appointed, if convicted of bribery or corruption;—also any persons bribing, or offering to bribe them | — | 16 |
| Bills of Exchange Auditors | No court in this island to retain actions on foreign bills of exchange, until the same have been protested for non-payment | 34 | 1 |
| | The Justices of the Assize Courts, on verdicts being given in actions of account, empowered to appoint auditors, receive their returns, and give final judgment, as in the Supreme Court | 47 | 1 |
| Replevins | The Supreme Court empowered to award a reasonable recompence to parties injured by delay of trial, in actions of replevin | 96 | 1 |
| | No recompence to be allowed to the party producing the replevied property at the court, after an <i>Eligment</i> , <i>Nulla Bona</i> , or <i>Non est Inventus</i> , has been returned | — | 2 |
| | Nor, if before the court, or term, six days notice be given that the party does not intend to try the cause at the ensuing court | — | 2 |
| | The party, on whose motion the trial is put off, shall pay the Provost-Marshal his fees for detaining the replevied property | — | 3 |
| | And the Supreme Court empowered to award a reasonable recompence to defendants in replevin, where judgment shall pass for them, or the plaintiffs be nonsuited | — | 4 |
| | Judges of the Supreme Court and Courts of Assize, empowered to fine and imprison guardians, &c. in possession of minors estates, for wilfully delivering up to the Marshal, any slave belonging to such estate, to be levied on for a debt, to which that estate is not liable | 45 | 1 |
| Minors slaves | And the Chief, or any Assistant Judge of the Grand-Court, may on application of the guardian, &c. and upon due proof, order such slaves to be delivered back | — | 3 |
| | Where no Assistant Judge can be found within twelve miles, the Custos or any Judge of the Common Pleas may act in like manner | — | 4 |
| | Supreme Court and Courts of Assize empowered to fine and imprison purchasers of slaves at Marshal's sales, belonging to persons having only an estate for life or years therein, for sending them off the island | — | 6 |
| Purchasers | Those purchasers to give security that such slaves be not sent off | — | 5 |
| Inveigling | Judges of the Supreme Court, and Justices, empowered on affidavit to issue warrants to a Marshal or Constable, to apprehend inveiglers of slaves, and commit them to prison, or admit them to bail | 74 | 6 |
| | To issue a warrant to the Provost-Marshal, to summon a jury of freeholders to try the offender;—and fine them for not attending | — | 7, 13 |
| | And may also issue warrants for apprehending the slaves inveigled | — | 8 |
| | And for summoning witnesses to attend the trial;—and may fine them for non-attendance, not exceeding fifty pounds | — | 9 |
| | May direct the Marshal to produce witnesses that may be in his custody | — | 10 |
| | And adjourn, on cause shewn by affidavit, or for want of jurors, and issue new warrants, &c. | — | 11 |
| | One Judge of the Supreme Court, or two Justices, empowered to proceed to trial, and carry this act into execution | — | 12 |
| | On charge being exhibited, the Judge, or Justices, to enquire by the Jury, and on inquest returned, to give sentence, acquit, or order the slaves to be delivered to the prosecutor, &c. | — | 16, 19 |
| Free Negroes | Free Negroes convicted under this act, may be transported by order of two Judges, or three Justices | — | 34 |
| Certiorari | Proceedings of the Judge or Justices not to be removed until after judgment thereon and commitment of the parties—and not to be set aside for want of form | — | 20 |
| | In case of acquittal, Judge and Justices may order the complainant to pay expences to the defendant, and commit him for non-payment | — | 22 |
| Fines | Fines under this act, (except those on Justices) to be levied by the Judge's warrant, who sat on the trial | — | 23 |
| Martial law | Judges, &c. may do their duty under this act, notwithstanding Martial-law | — | 26 |

| | | Act. | Clause. |
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| Emblements | Judges of the Supreme Court, on cause shewn by affidavit respecting emblements, are empowered to issue a writ of enquiry | 87 | 1 |
| | And upon return thereof to give judgment, and enforce the same by writs of Execution and Venditioni | — | 3 |
| | May fine Justices and Jurors for not attending the execution of writs of enquiry agreeable to summons | — | 8 |
| Insolvent Debtors. | Judges of the Supreme Court or Courts of Assize, on petition of any prisoner confined for debt, and named in the Marshal's list, may require the Marshal to bring such prisoner into court, in order to be discharged under this act | 94 | 6 |
| | Where prisoners are detained through inability to pay their gaol fees—court may discharge them on thir taking the oath prescribed | — | 8 |
| | Court to appoint assignees of prisoners effects, and may remove them, if need be, and appoint others | — | 11, 13 |
| Constables | Upon complaint made on oath by Church-wardens against Constables, not accounting for taxes, Judges of the Supreme Court empowered and required to punish them—and how | 29 | 2 |
| | And may oblige them to pay the costs of preferring such complaints—and how | — | 3 |
| | And to punish Constables for not paying over to the Receiver-General, the quit-rents received by them | 113 | 21 |
| Quit-Rent Bonds | On non payment of quit-rent bonds—Supreme Court on application of the Receiver-General, and due proof—required to grant writs of Venditioni Exponas thereon, in like manner as if judgment had been obtained | — | 8 |
| Satisfaction | In what circumstances Judges of the Supreme Court may order satisfaction to be entered | 8 | 2 |
| F E E S. | | | |
| Coroners | Coroners fees | 5 | 1 |
| Surveyors | Surveyors fees | 73 | 8—10 |
| Masters in Chancery | Fees of the Masters in Chancery | 76 | 1, 3 |
| Governor's Secretary | Fees of the Governor's Secretary | 106 | 2—40 |
| <i>[For Fees of the several Officers concerned in entering and clearing out Vessels—See Title SHIPS.]</i> | | | |
| F E L O N Y. | | | |
| Stolen goods | Receiving or buying goods from any person whatever, knowing the same to have been feloniously stolen; or harbouring, concealing or abetting the thief, declared felony, and made punishable with death, the same as principals | 20 | 1 |
| | Though, if principal be convicted, and afterwards pardoned, &c. accessories before, or after the fact, are notwithstanding made punishable | — | 2 |
| Misdemeanor | Receivers and buyers of stolen goods may be proceeded against, and punished as for a misdemeanor, though the principal has not been before convicted | — | 3 |
| Bonds, Notes, &c. | Persons wilfully stealing, burning, or otherwise destroying, altering, or erasing any bond, note, or bill of exchange, or any indorsement thereon, to suffer death without benefit of clergy | 23 | 16 |
| F R E E H O L D E R S. | | | |
| Elections | Freeholders to have five days notice of elections for members of the Assembly | 71 | 2 |
| | Not to be sent out on parties on days of election, unless in case of invasion, &c.—Penalty, one hundred pounds. | — | 5 |
| | Oath to be taken by freeholders at elections, as to their qualification, if required | — | 8 |
| Quakers | Quakers affirmation taken instead of an oath, at elections | — | 8 |
| Perjury | Punishment of freeholders convicted of perjury at elections | — | 8 |
| Negro Descendants | No person not removed above three degrees from Negro ancestors, allowed to vote; but those removed four degrees, are entitled to all privileges, if brought up in the Christian religion | — | 19 |
| | No freeholder exempt from serving on juries for trying inveiglers of slaves, &c.—For non-attendance, on warning, may be fined twenty pounds | 74 | 7, 13 |
| | Are protected in their persons in going to, at, and returning from such trials | — | 27 |
| FREE | | | |

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FREE NEGROES, &c.

| | | Act. | Claufe. |
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| Inveigling | No person not more than three degrees removed from Negro ancestors, allowed to vote at elections—and not to be deemed Mulattoes after the third generation | 71 | 19 |
| | Free Negroes, &c. guilty of inveigling slaves, or sending them off the island, to lose their freedom, and be transported | 74 | 34 |
| | Aiding or assisting slaves to get off the island, to lose their freedom, and be transported and sold—and if afterwards found at large in this island,—on conviction, to suffer death | 10 | 3—5 |
| Forgery | The substance of the last four clauses comprized in one | 91 | 46 |
| | Giving tickets to slaves, to be deemed guilty of forgery—how punishable | — | 22 |
| | Required to produce their certificates annually to the Vestry, carry the same about them, and wear a badge; those excepted, who possess real estates, or claim legal privileges—Penalty for neglect | — | 51 |
| | Neglecting to attend the Vestry, to shew their right of freedom, on being warned, how punishable | — | 52 |
| | If obliged to search in the Secretary's office, in order to prove their title to freedom, the charge of search to be paid them by the parish | — | 53 |
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FREE-SCHOOLS.

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| Kingston | Part of the former act for appointing Trustees for <i>Wolmer's</i> Free School in Kingston, so far as relates to the President, Governor, four senior Members of the Council, and Speaker of the Assembly, being Trustees, repealed | 32 | 2 |
| | Additional Trustees appointed and incorporated with the former ones remaining | — | 3 |
| | To appoint a Treasurer, and allow him a salary—his power and duty | — | 4—6 |
| | When and where the meetings of the Trustees to be held—Nine of them to make a quorum | — | 6—8 |
| Hanover | Trustees appointed for the Free-School in the parish of Hanover, and the management of <i>Rufca's</i> donation—Seven to be a quorum | 59 | 2 |
| | Made a body politic and corporate, and empowered | — | 3 |
| | Trustees, or the major part of the quorum, empowered to purchase lands and slaves for the benefit of the school—to lay out money at interest—to sell or lease—to sue and be sued as a Corporation, and to have a common seal | — | 4 |
| | <i>Rufca's</i> administrator required to render an account of his intestate's estate to the Trustees, who are to give him a release | — | 5 |
| | Trustees to purchase land and erect a school, and to endow the same with a revenue; to appoint masters and ushers, and displace them on misbehaviour | — | 6 |
| | To admit a proper number of children, (giving preference to those of the parish of Hanover) and to discharge them on misbehaviour, or attaining the age of sixteen—to keep the school in repair, and to visit the same, and reform abuses, &c. | — | 7 |
| | To make by-laws, ordinances and constitutions, for the better government of the corporation and school, and to revoke, alter, or amend the same | — | 8 |
| | The Justices and Vestry of said parish empowered to employ a sum not exceeding five hundred pounds per annum, out of the parish-tax, for better supporting the school | — | 9 |
| | A quorum of the Trustees to pay off all incidental charges and expences out of the charity funds | — | 10 |
| | This deemed a public act | — | 11 |
| | The Hanover free-school act passed in 1773, repealed | — | 1 |
| | So much of clause the second in the former free-school act for the parish of Vere, passed in 1768, as appoints a day for electing Trustees, repealed | 12 | 1 |
| Vere | All the other clauses in that act continued in force | — | 3 |
| | Five Trustees, for the management of the school, to be annually chosen by and out of the freeholders on the first Wednesday in January—conjunctively with the Trustees named in the former act | — | 2 |
| | Persons offering to vote at elections of Trustees, and being objected to as not having a sufficient freehold, must swear to their qualification---and how punishable, if guilty of perjury | — | 4 |
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G A M I N G.

Lottery-
schemes.

Penalty and punishment on persons convicted of keeping an office or place for sale
of real or personal property, by way of lottery, &c.

Act.

Clause.

14

1

Penalty on persons purchasing tickets, or becoming adventurers in such lotteries
or sales

2

Sales of property in such lotteries, or by any device to be determined by chance
or lot, declared void, and the property forfeited

3

Appeal

Persons thinking themselves aggrieved by judgment of the Justices, may appeal to
the Quarter-Sessions; but failing in the appeal, to pay the prosecutor treble costs

3

Fines

Judgments for fines imposed by this act, not to be removed by Certiorari; or set
aside for want of form, if facts proved

4

Justices
Actions

Penalty on Justices neglecting or refusing their duty under this act

6

Actions brought under this act, to be commenced within three months, and laid
in the proper county--Defendant to plead the general issue, and give this act in
evidence; and Suitor, if cast, to pay treble costs

7

G O V E R N O R.

Proclamation

Governor enabled and required, during the present war, anno 1783, to issue his
Majesty's proclamation for prohibiting the exportation of cordage and other
naval stores from this island

105

2

Maroons

Empowered to grant commissions for trying Negroes in the Maroon towns, for
disobeying his orders, raising tumults, &c.

75

3

Militia

Not to grant commissions in the Militia, to any but freeholders, except in the
principal towns

112

10

Judges

Not to remove Judges from the execution of their offices—but may with the ad-
vice and consent of five of the Council, suspend any Judge of the Supreme Court
or Courts of Assize until the King's pleasure be known—giving them a copy of
the cause of suspension

70

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G U A R D I A N S, T R U S T E E S, &c.

Minors
Slaves

Guardians, &c. in possession of Minors estates, delivering up, or aiding, or con-
senting thereto, any Slaves belonging to such estate, to the Marshal to be levied
upon for a debt to which the same is not liable—how punishable

4

1

Where Slaves levied upon through mistake of the Marshal, Guardians, &c. to ap-
ply to a Judge of the Supreme Court to have them delivered back, on proof
made that they are not liable—how punishable for neglect

3

If no Judge of the Supreme Court be within twelve miles, may apply to a Judge of
the Common Pleas

4

H A W K E R S and P E D L A R S.

Licences

Every Hawker and Pedlar to pay to the Church-wardens, a duty of twenty pounds
a year, for obtaining a licence; and if travelling with a beast of burden 10l. more
One moiety to be paid on receiving the licence, and security given for paying the
other in six months

95

1

How licences to be granted, and what fees paid

2

Penalty on them for trading without, or contrary to licence, and refusing to pro-
duce the same to a Justice, or other Peace-officer, on demand

4

3

Persons forging, or travelling with a forged licence, how punishable

5

Any person may detain a Hawker or Pedlar, until he produces a licence, or can
give notice to a Constable, &c.--Who is to carry him before a Magistrate, and if
licence not then produced, to be fined fifty pounds.--Complaint to be made
within forty-eight hours

8

Actions

Penalty on shop-keepers hawking and peddling without licence

10

Persons sued for doing their duty required by this act, to plead the general issue,
and Suitor, if cast, to pay treble costs

6

HIGHWAYS.

2 TO AN ABRIDGMENT of the ACTS

H I G H W A Y S.

Aet. Clause.

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| Roads | Fines incurred by delinquency under a former act for not sending slaves to work on the highways, to be paid to the Way-wardens; who are to apply the same in repairing the roads, and account to the Vestry | 50 | 2, 3 |
| Way-wardens | Trustees appointed for the road leading from Price's gate, in St. Ann's, over Mount Diablo to Rio Magno gully, in St. Thomas in the Vale; to erect turn-pikes and receive toll-rates of the toll-vested in the Trustees | 72 | 3 |
| St. Ann | Tolls to be applied in repairing the road, &c. | | 2 |
| Toll | Penalty for permitting any to pass through lands near the turnpike, to evade paying toll; to prevent which, Trustees may erect lateral turnpikes, and receive toll thereat | | 3 |
| | Trustees to appoint officers for the roads and tolls—Surveyors may take materials for the roads out of adjacent uncultivated grounds.—If any damage done, how to be ascertained and paid for.—Complaints of trespasses, how to be proceeded upon, and finally determined | | 4 |
| Collector of Tolls | Collector of the tolls empowered to demand them, and made accountable for the same to the Trustees: Disputes between them, how to be decided | | 5, 6 |
| | Trustees may compound with owners of land near the turnpike, for an annual sum in lieu of toll | | 7 |
| St. Catherine | This act to continue for seven years, and deemed public | | 8, 9 |
| Toll | Trustees appointed for the road leading from St. Jago de la Vega to St. Jago Plantation in Clarendon; to erect toll-gates and receive or levy toll: Rates of the toll, cattle and carriages, working on the road, exempt from toll—Toll vested in the Trustees, who are to expend same in repairing the roads and bridges | 77 | 1, 2 |
| | Additional Trustees appointed and empowered | 93 | 1 |
| | Empowered to purchase land and erect a toll-house out of the toll duties; toll-house vested in them:—Any three of them may alter, widen and repair the road | | 2-4 |
| | Empowered to borrow a sum not exceeding two thousand pounds, to be employed on the roads, and to mortgage the tolls as a security | | 5 |
| | Penalty on persons passing, or permitting others to pass through lands near the turnpike, to evade payment of the toll—how the Trustees may prevent the same | 77 | 3 |
| | Three or more Trustees to appoint officers for the roads and tolls—Overseer or Surveyor of the road may take materials for same out of the uncultivated grounds adjacent: If any damage done, how the same to be ascertained and paid for.—Complaints of trespasses how to be proceeded upon, and finally determined | | 4 |
| Collector of Tolls | Collector of tolls enabled to demand same, and have remedies—made accountable to the Trustees.—Disputes between them, how to be decided | | 5, 6 |
| | Trustees may compound with owners of lands near the turnpike, for an annual sum in lieu of toll | | 7 |
| Windward road | This act to continue for seven years, and deemed public | | 8, 9 |
| Toll | Trustees appointed for the Windward road—to erect turnpikes and receive toll—Rates of toll—Cattle and carriages carrying produce to market, and those working on the road, exempt from toll—Toll vested in the Trustees, who may distrain for non payment—To be applied in repairing the roads and bridges | 90 | 1, 2 |
| | Penalty on persons passing, or permitting others to pass through lands near the turnpike, to evade payment of toll; to prevent the same, Trustees may erect lateral turnpikes, and collect toll thereat | | 3 |
| | Trustees to appoint officers for the roads and toll, and to remove them and appoint others—Surveyors of the roads may take materials for the same out of uncultivated lands: But if any damage done, the same to be ascertained and paid for.—Complaints of trespasses, how to be proceeded upon, and determined | | 4 |
| Collector of Tolls | Collectors invested with powers and remedies for collecting toll—made accountable for same to the Trustees—Disputes between them, how to be decided | | 5, 6 |
| | In what cases particular persons may be exempt from toll: But none exempted from making allotments of slaves, as before this act—which are to be under the direction of the Trustees | | 7 |
| Westmorland | This act to continue for seven years, and deemed public | | 8, 9 |
| St. Elizabeth | The turnpike at Bluefields in the parish of Westmoreland, abolished | 108 | 1 |
| | So much of a former Turnpike-act passed in 1781, as directs the whole of the money collected at the gate near the Cove at Fonthill, St. Elizabeth, to be laid out on the roads in that parish, repealed | | 1 |

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12 An ABRIDGMENT of the ACTS.

| | | Act | Clauses |
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| | And one moiety thereof to be expended on the road in St. Elizabeth, leading from Pepper Plantation to the Cove; and the other moiety on the road in Westmoreland, from the Cove to Savanna-la-Mar | 108 | 2 |
| Westmoreland | Trustees appointed for the road leading from Savanna-la-Mar to Lucea in Hanover; and to erect a turnpike at Glasgow plantation in Westmoreland, and receive toll--Rates of toll--Cattle and carriages working on the road, exempt--Toll vested in the Trustees, who may levy for non-payment, and apply the same on the roads | | 3, 4 |
| Toll | Penalty on persons passing, or permitting others to pass through lands near the turnpike, to evade payment of toll--how Trustees may prevent the same | | 5 |
| | Trustees may appoint and remove officers for the roads and tolls. Surveyors of the roads may take materials for the same from uncultivated lands adjoining: and if damage be committed, how to be ascertained; and to be paid for by the Trustees.--Complaints of trespassers, &c. how to be proceeded upon, and decided | | 6 |
| Collector of Tolls | Collector of tolls invested with powers and remedies for collecting the same, and made accountable to the Trustees: Disputes between them, how to be determined | | 7, 8 |
| | Trustees empowered to compound with possessors of land near the turnpike, for yearly or half yearly sums, in lieu of toll | | 9 |
| | How the monies collected at Glasgow turnpike, are to be applied | | 10 |
| | The Trustees empowered to purchase land and erect toll-houses; the property thereof vested in them | | 11, 12 |
| | Empowered to borrow money, not exceeding one thousand pounds, to be employed on the road, and to mortgage the tolls as a security | | 13 |
| | This act to continue for six years, and deemed public | | 14, 15 |
| | Dimensions of the highways established | 117 | 1 |
| | Cross roads of communication to be laid out by Jurors,--as directed by the Highway-act passed in 1681 | | 2 |
| Justices and Vestry | Power of Justices and Vestry in laying taxes for the roads, and employing overseers--how new roads through cultivated land to be laid out, and the land valued | | 3 |
| | May hire persons to attend the Negroes on the roads, who are to be under the Way-wardens directions | | 18 |
| | All roads made at the public expence, to be deemed King's roads; and Justices and Vestry to appoint Way-wardens, and make allotment of slaves to work annually thereon | | 21 |
| Allotments | Surveyors to complain to a Justice, of persons refusing to send allotments of slaves and tools to work--how Justice to proceed, and punish the offenders | | 4 |
| Overseers | Overseers on plantations, &c. offending herein, to pay the fines out of their wages: But the levy for same to be made on the slaves of their proprietors | | 5, 7 |
| Surveyors of Roads | Surveyors to be judges of the abilities of slaves sent to work, and may cause them to lop trees, trim fences, &c. on the road | | 6, 8 |
| | On what pretences persons are not to refuse sending allotments | | 9 |
| Way-wardens | Penalties on persons for not sending allotments, or on Surveyors; to be recovered as directed by the former Highway-laws, and paid to the Way-wardens, to be expended in repairing the roads; and who are, under penalty, to account for the expenditure to the Justices and Vestry--how penalty to be recovered | | 11, 12 |
| Law-suits | Persons bringing replevins for effects levied on by warrant under this act, to pay, if cast, treble costs | | 13 |
| | Proceedings of Justices, Way-wardens and Constables, under this act, not to be removed by Certiorari or otherwise, until the matters required of the person applying for same, are executed and penalties paid.--Security to be given for prosecuting the same with effect, and failing therein to pay treble costs.--Proceedings not be set aside for want of form only | | 14, 17 |
| J A M A I C A S P A. | | | |
| | Three thousand pounds of the public monies to be paid by the Receiver-General, to Directors, for purchasing of William Smith, 250 acres of land in St. Andrew, wherein is the Spring of Chalybeate Water: Directors appointed for the purpose, and made a body politic and corporate, and to have a common seal: The premises vested in them for the public benefit | 42 | 1-5 |
| | Empowered to sell the land in lots (except twenty acres adjoining the spring) under certain restrictions | | 4 |

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To appoint officers, and remove them for misbehaviour, and to make rules and ordinances—how the monies arising from the grants of lands to be applied

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INFANTS, WOMEN under COVERTURE, &c.

Boundaries

Infants, Women under coverture, and *Non fans*, not precluded from contesting boundaries set up during their minority, coverture, or infanity, within five years after disability, removed;—but not to impeach actions or judgments brought or obtained prior to this act

16 3, 4

Quiet posses-
sion
Slaves

Infants, Women under coverture, *Non fans*, absentees, and persons in reversion, &c. may within five years after disability, removed, or title accrue, prosecute replevins for slaves purchased under Venditioni, and confirmed to the purchaser after seven years quiet possession

100 1

INSOLVENT DEBTORS.

Two clauses in former acts respecting Insolvent Debtors, repealed
Debtors imprisoned, and included in the Marshal's list, may by petition be brought into court, and there subscribing and delivering a schedule of their estate and effects upon oath, and also delivering up such estate and effects to assignees appointed, may be discharged

94 3

[N. B. So much of the above clause as relates to delivery of the effects to assignees, repealed; and the Debtor required to deliver the same to the Marshal]

109 1, 2

No person having taken the benefit of the Insolvent Act now in force, to take the benefit of this, and not of this a second time

94 7

Where prisoners are detained through inability to pay their gaol fees, court may discharge them on taking the oath prescribed

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The future effects of such debtors liable notwithstanding, to debts on judgment, &c. obtained previous to their discharge; but their persons, wearing apparel, &c. exempted.—Discharge, if fraudulently obtained, declared void

— 9

Perjury

Persons convicted of committing perjury under this act, how punishable

— 10

The effects of such debtors vested in the Clerk of the Court, who is to assign the same to the creditors appointed

— 11

Assignees

The power, duty and proceedings of the assignees, prescribed and explained

11, 12

Priority

The assignees to divide the prisoner's estate and effects, or the produce thereof, among the creditors, according to priority

— 11

Mortgages

This act not to prejudice persons having estates expectant on that of the prisoner, nor to prevent mortgages from taking place on his estate

— 11

Every prisoner before discharged by this act, must have been in actual custody on Execution or Venditioni three months, and advertised in one of the Kingston news papers for three weeks before the court

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This act to continue in force until the First of January, 1788

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Assignments

How judgments to be assigned

23 5

Judgments passed away according to usage before this act, confirmed

— 8

Satisfaction

Penalty on judgment plaintiffs omitting to enter satisfaction within six months after judgment satisfied, on tender of fee

8 12

Fee need not be tendered, but officer to tax same in costs

23 12

In what circumstances Supreme Court may order satisfaction to be entered

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Martial law

Where Courts of Assize are prevented sitting by means of Martial-law, judgments obtained at the court after same taken off, to have the same priority as if obtained at the court so suspended

44 3

Judgments obtained October Surry Assize, 1776—with what other judgments to equalize in point of priority

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J U S T I C E S O F T H E P E A C E.

Vestrymen
Church-war-
dens

In case of death, or going off, of any Vestry-man or Church-warden, Justices to issue warrants to summon freeholders to elect another

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Similar

| | | Act. | Clause. |
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| Way wardens | Similar clause respecting Way-wardens | 117 | 10 |
| | In case of the death, going off the Island, or removal of Way-wardens, Justices to issue warrants to summon the Vestry to elect others | 50 | 1 |
| Elections. | And two Justices may levy fines on Way-wardens for not accounting for monies paid to them for repairing the roads | — | 3 |
| | The Custodes of precincts, or in their absence, the Justices to sign warrants of election sent them by the Provost-marshal, and deliver them to the Constables | 71 | 2 |
| Vagabonds | Justices to examine on oath into the condition and way of life of persons brought before them as Vagabonds, and if found to be such as described in this act, to send them to the Work-house | 82 | 5 |
| | Who to be deemed Rogues and Vagabonds | — | 1 |
| Emblements | Same clauses | 119 | 1, 5 |
| | One or more Justice on warning given by the Provost-marshal, to attend and swear the Jury upon Writs of Enquiry of Emblements-- and penalty for refusal or neglect | 87 | 1, 8 |
| Wharfingers | All fines not exceeding ten pounds, incurred by Wharfingers under this act, to be recovered before a Magistrate | 89 | 10 |
| Hawkers, and Pedlars | Justices in sessions empowered on payment of the duty, &c. to grant licences to Hawkiers and Pedlars | 95 | 4 |
| | To levy fines on them for trading without licence, on not producing same when brought before them | — | 8 |
| Martial law | Justices empowered to act in all criminal matters cognizable before them, during Martial law, as if the same was not in force--and penalty for neglect | 61 | 2, 5 |
| | Same power given under this act | 74 | 26 |
| Horses, &c. | Two Justices may award fines on possessors of plantations, having thereon any horse, &c. the reputed property of a slave, for not causing the same to be taken up and sold | 64 | 1 |
| | Same clause repeated | 91 | 39 |
| | Justices may award fines on possessors of plantations and pens, for knowingly permitting slaves to keep horses, &c. thereon | 64 | 2 |
| | Same clause | 91 | 40 |
| | And for refusing to take the oath prescribed, respecting the same, on giving in to the Vestry | 64 | 3 |
| | Same clause | 91 | 41 |
| | And may fine persons for selling or giving horses, &c. to slaves, or purchasing same in trust for them. | 64 | 4 |
| | Same clause | 91 | 42 |
| Slaves | One Justice may cause slaves to be whipped for having in their custody more than ten pounds of fresh meat, unknown to their owner | 64 | 5 |
| | And two Justices and three Freeholders may punish them for having in their custody more than ten pounds of fresh meat | — | 5 |
| | Same clause repeated | 91 | 43 |
| | Justices may order rewards to be paid to slaves for informing of runaways, or against slaves for gaming, thieving, &c. | — | 5 |
| | Justices in sessions may fine or imprison persons for cruelly beating slaves not belonging to them | — | 8 |
| | Justices may order slaves going out without tickets, to gaol, to be whipped | — | 9 |
| | And for hiring themselves out without licence of their owner, may order them to be whipped.—Penalty on Justices not doing their duty | 74 | 31 |
| | Justices in sessions to order Constables to attend places of public resort on holidays, to take up slaves found without tickets-- to examine into the same, direct the Clerk of the Peace to enter the order, and to fine Constables and Clerks, &c. offending, | 91 | 10 |
| Fire arms | Two Justices and three Freeholders may punish slaves for carrying fire arms, or other offensive weapons, without a proper ticket, or being in company with a white man | — | 15 |
| | And for striking or offering violence to a white person, not extending to life or limb | — | 16 |
| | How Justices are to proceed upon complaints made against slaves for having committed capital offences | — | 28 |
| | Where slaves are put upon trial by their owners, &c. and sentenced to die, the Justices and Freeholders at the trial to enquire what sum the owner ought to receive, not exceeding forty pounds--and certify the same | — | 30 |
| Obeah | Slaves detected in the practice of Obeah, and being convicted thereof to suffer death or transportation | — | 49 |

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| Convicts | Justices to issue warrants for apprehending slaves returned from transportation, and upon view of the record, and proof of identity, to order them to be executed | 91 | 33 |
| | Two Justices to hear and determine petty crimes committed by slaves, and to issue warrant to levy the expences, if the owner refuse to pay them | — | 35 |
| | Two Justices and three Freeholders to punish at discretion, slaves deserted from their owners, and attempting to get off the island, and those aiding or assisting them so to do: If two or more belonging to more than one plantation, be convicted at the same time, death to be inflicted on him or her that shall appear to have been the ringleader on each plantation | — | 45 |
| Retailers | Two Justices to fine retailers of rum for permitting slaves to meet, drink, & game, at their houses, ten pounds; and if fine not paid, to commit the offender to gaol | — | 38 |
| Overseers | One Justice may fine Overseers for being absent from their estate on Negro holidays, without their employers leave, except to attend Divine Service | — | 50 |
| Runaways | Justices required to transmit to the Clerk of the Vestry, the quarterly accounts of runaway slaves delivered them by the managers of plantations | — | 20 |
| | Where runaway slaves are to be sold out of Gaol or Work-house, Justices previously to examine whether they have been duly advertised, and to give a certificate | — | 25 |
| | Slaves having been in the island two years, and run away for six months, to be tried and punished by two Justices and three Freeholders, not extending to life or limb | — | 32 |
| Inveigling | One Justice, on complaint made on oath, may issue warrant to the Provost-marshal, or a Constable, for apprehending inveiglers, &c. of slaves, and commit or bail them—Trial to be had in ten days | 74 | 6 |
| | And immediately on such commitment or bailment, to issue a warrant to the Provost-marshal, to summon a Jury of Freeholders for trying the offender, and may fine the Jurors for not attending | — | 7, 13 |
| | And also to issue a warrant for apprehending the slaves inveigled | — | 8 |
| | And for summoning witnesses; and may fine them for not attending; and direct the Marshal to produce witnesses that may be in his custody | — | 9, 10 |
| | Justices may adjourn the trial on cause shewn, and issue new warrants | — | 11 |
| | On complaint made to a Justice, he is to give notice to, and associate with himself, another Justice, to act on the trial--and penalty on each for neglect, 50l. | — | 12 |
| | On the charge being exhibited, Justices to proceed to enquire by the Jury returned--Owners, &c. of slaves, notwithstanding they prosecute, to be good evidence | 91 | 16, 17 |
| | On inquest returned, to pronounce Sentence of Acquittal, or award the pains and penalties mentioned in this act, and cause the slaves to be delivered to the prosecutor.--Inquest to be a bar to any future charge for same offence | — | 19 |
| | In case of acquittal, Justices may order the Complainant to pay the Defendant his expences, not exceeding fifty pounds; and for non-payment, commit him:--But in case of conviction, the same to be paid out of the fines and penalties under this act | — | 22 |
| | May fine Jurors for not attending trials under this act | — | 55 |
| Jurors | Three Justices may try free Negroes, &c. for inveigling or sending away slaves; and if guilty, deprive them of freedom, and order them to be transported | 74 | 34 |
| Free Negroes | And for aiding or assisting slaves to get off this island, on conviction, to lose their freedom, and be transported;--and if afterwards found at large in the island, to suffer death | 91 | 46 |
| Convicts | One Justice may commit them for not attending Vestry, to shew their right of freedom, when warned | — | 52 |
| Masters of Slaves | May award fines on masters and owners of slaves for hiring to them huts, &c. or permitting them to build same; or to hire themselves out, carry on trade, &c. | 74 | 32 |
| | And on complaint made, to order such huts, &c. built by slaves in any town, savanna, &c. to be pulled down--and penalty for neglect | — | 33 |
| | And to award fines for permitting slaves to go out without tickets | 91 | 9 |
| Maroon negroes | Two Justices and three Freeholders may try and punish the Negroes belonging to Negro towns, for raising tumults, &c. as free persons were tried and punished before the Evidence-act of 1748 | 75 | 3 |
| | And may try them for absenting themselves from their towns without leave in writing of the Superintendant; or continuing absent seven days after leave expired--and upon conviction, may deprive them of freedom, and order them to be transported and sold:--Sentence to be certified to the Governor, and not executed without his direction. | — | 4 |

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| Trade | Any Justice may award fines on persons selling butter, soap, &c. otherwise than by weight | 3 | 1 |
| | Two Justices may fine persons for importing staves and shingles of less dimension than prescribed by this act | 11 | 8 |
| Measurers | Justices in sessions to examine,--and if qualified, to swear persons applying to appointed Measurer's of timber, &c.--And any Justice may fine them for abuse of duty | — | 2, 5 |
| Gaming | One or more Justice to levy fines on persons for keeping offices for sale of property by way of lottery, &c. and for publishing schemes of chances, &c.--and also upon persons gambling in such lotteries | 14 | 1, 2 |
| | Penalty for refusal or neglect | — | 6 |
| Taxes | To issue warrants for levying costs of appeal under this act, in case the Appellant be cast | — | 3 |
| Constables | When taxes laid by the Justices and Vestry of any parish for purchasing land and erecting Churches, &c. two Justices to sign a roll and warrant for collecting same | 19 | 3 |
| | Two Justices may levy fines on Constables for not accounting with Church-wardens for taxes received | 29 | 4 |
| Forcible entry | On neglect of Vestries to chuse Constables, Justices in sessions may hire them | 53 | 2 |
| | One Justice may levy fines on Constables and other Peace-officers for neglect of duty, in regard to Hawkers and Pedlars | 95 | 7 |
| Coining, &c. | Justices before whom complaints of forcible entry and detainer are brought, are required to complete the proceedings thereon, and restore the party ousted to possession, notwithstanding a Certiorari, unless made returnable immediately | 20 | 1 |
| | One or more Justice may enter any house, &c. of persons suspected of coining &c. to search for tools: If obstructed, may with the assistance of a Constable break open doors, &c.—And if any such tools found, seize the same, and commit the offender to prison | 21 | 3 |
| Militia | If coins offered in payment seem base or counterfeit, any Justice may cause them to be cut | — | 9 |
| | Justices required to issue warrants for levying fines on Clerks of the Vestry for not sending in quarterly lists to the commanding officers in the militia, of persons given in to save deficiency | 112 | 2 |
| Freightage | To hear complaints of Owners and Masters of vessels employed in transporting goods about this island, for non-payment of the freightage agreed on; and to issue warrants for the same against the Shippers | 115 | 4 |
| | To hear complaints against Masters of coasting vessels, for injuring or adulterating rum, and Madeira and other wines; and to issue warrants | — | 11, 12 |
| Partition | Justices in parishes where no Vestries are, between the first of January and 25th of March, to direct the Clerk of the Vestry, or of the Peace, to make out an exhibit list of all persons in their parish, and subscribe same, with a duplicate, and transmit them to the Chief Justice | 116 | 8 |
| | And on issuing warrants for the quarterly givings-in, to direct that such shall be distinguished in the lists as are minors or indented servants | — | 9 |
| Highways | To attend on the execution of writs of Partition | — | 11 |
| | To issue warrants for summoning parties who refuse to send their allotments of slaves to work on the highways, to appear before them; and to fine them, if guilty | 117 | 4 |
| Way-wardens | Two Justices may fine Way-wardens for not accounting for the expenditure of the monies paid to them for the roads | — | 12 |
| | And award the penalties imposed by this act, under fifty pounds | — | 20 |
| Contraband goods | Required to seize certain goods imported contrary to this act, and the vessels importing the same | 118 | 2 |
| | And transmit an account thereof to the Attorney-General | — | 3 |
| Quit-rents | To detain a sufficient number of the crews, to be examined touching the same, and commit them to give evidence, until they enter into recognizance | — | 4, 5 |
| | Where goods are concealed and locked up, Justice on application to grant Writ of Assistance to the Marshal or Constable to search for the same | — | 6 |
| Quit-rents | Justices in parishes where no Vestries are, equally empowered to act in all matters respecting quit-rents | 113 | 2—20 |
| | Penalty for neglecting their duty under this act | — | 24 |

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| Court-house | Justices and Vestry empowered to lay a tax for pulling down the old Court-house, and to rent, purchase or build another | 46 | 1 |
| Hospital | Commissioners appointed to rent a convenient house in the parish of Kingston, for the reception of sick and transient poor | 55 | 1 |
| Ships | And to make rules and regulations for government of the patients | — | 2 |
| | All ships trading North of the Tropic, or between the Tropics, to pay certain duties to the Receiver-General on their arrival in any port of this island, towards supporting said hospital | 56 | 1 |
| Receiver-General | Penalty on the Receiver-General for clearing out vessels before payment of those duties.—Duties to be paid over by him to the Treasurer, deducting five per cent. for receiving | — | 2, 3 |
| Fire buckets | House-keepers required to keep two leather buckets of a certain size, with their names thereon, for every forty pounds rent assessed in the parish-books, and to provide one able Negro to attend therewith at fires—Default for each bucket, forty shillings | 52 | 1 |
| Engines | Penalty on Justices and Vestry for not keeping constantly eight large engines in good repair | — | 2 |
| | To employ a Captain to each engine, and appoint him a salary | — | 3 |
| | What sum Captains of engines shall be paid, who come first or second to a fire | — | 4 |
| | Justices and Vestry empowered to lay a tax for supporting the engines and expences—sinking wells, &c. | — | 5 |
| | To appoint yearly ten inhabitants, two of whom to be Magistrates, to act as Fire-wardens; and to be sworn | — | 6 |
| Fire-wardens | Penalty on persons chosen as Fire-wardens, refusing to act | — | 7 |
| | Power and duty of the Fire-wardens prescribed: All Constables and other officers required to attend and assist at fires; and all persons assisting in extinguishing same, exempt from process for twenty-four hours | — | 8—12 |
| Retailers | Penalty on retailers for selling rum, &c. before six in the morning, or after six in the evening | — | 14 |
| Bread | Justices and Vestry to set, order, and appoint the assize, weight and price of bread, for sale; and how the same shall be marked | — | 15, 16 |
| | Justices and Vestry-men, or any two of them, (one to be a Justice) attended by a Constable, to go into known bake-houses, and inspect the bread; and if deficient in mark or weight, to seize, and distribute the same to the poor | — | 17 |
| Bakers | Penalty on common bakers for making or selling bread deficient in weight or mark | — | 16, 17 |
| Watch | Justices and Vestry empowered to lay a tax for supporting a nightly watch, and to make orders and regulations for governing the same | — | 18, 20 |
| | Constables to be paid by the Church-wardens:—Penalty on them for refusing to take charge of the watch, and do their duty | — | 19 |
| Transient traders | Transient traders made liable to be taxed | — | 21 |
| Provisions | Penalty on persons exposing putrid provisions to public sale.—And one or more Justice may cause the same to be burnt | — | 22, 23 |
| Actions | Persons sued for doing any thing in pursuance of this act, to give the same in evidence; and Suitor, if cast, to pay treble costs | — | 13 |
| Freightage | Any one Justice to value goods detained by Owners or Masters of coasting vessels for non payment of freightage | 15 | 2 |
| | Two or more Justices to hear complaints concerning freightage, and to issue warrants for same against the shippers | — | 3 |
| Constables | Constables, under such warrants, to distrain and sell, and may keep one shilling in the pound for their trouble | — | 3 |

K I N G S T O N H A R B O U R.

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| Ships | All ships and vessels trading North of the Tropic, or between the Tropics, to pay certain duties to the Receiver-General, on arriving in Kingston harbour | 110 | 1 |
| | Masters of vessels within three days after arrival, to give certificate that the Water Bailiff has done his duty in mooring the vessel | — | 3 |
| | How ships to be moored, and at what distance from the wharfs in general; and during the supposed Hurricane months from the first of August to the thirtieth of November—and penalty | — | 9, 10 |

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| Ships. | What time, according to the tonage, vessels shall be allowed to unload | 110 | 11 |
| | All disputes concerning the mooring of vessels, to be settled by the Commissioners | — | 13 |
| | The Justices and Vestry-men of Kingston, appointed Commissioners for carrying this act into execution | — | 14 |
| Receiver-Ge- neral | Penalty on the Receiver-General for clearing out vessels before payment of the above duties; provided the Water-Bailiff has left with him the master's certificate | — | 2 |
| Governor | Receiver-General, out of the monies arising by this act, to pay the Governor's orders for salary to the Water-Bailiff, and other expences | — | 8 |
| | Governor empowered to appoint a Water-Bailiff, for the better government of the port and shipping—with a salary not exceeding the monies raised by this act | — | 4 |
| Water Bailiff | To be sworn before the Commissioners to the due execution of his duty | — | 8 |
| | Empowered to take slaves, found taking up or carrying ballast from a certain place on the Pallisades—before a Magistrate | — | 7 |
| | Liable to make good all damages that may arise through his ignorance or neglect in mooring vessels—to be recovered in the Supreme Court—No Commissioner or Wharfinger to be a Water-Bailiff | — | 12 |
| | Penalty on him for not following the Commissioners directions as to mooring vessels | — | 10 |
| | To have the charge and direction of vessels happening to take fire, in order to extinguish it.—Penalty for obstructing him in that duty, 500l. | — | 16 |
| Fire | Penalty on persons taking up ballast within 200 yards of the breach already made by such means in the Pallisades | — | 5, 6 |
| Ballast | Slaves offending therein, and carried before a Magistrate, to be imprisoned unless their owner will pay 5l. for each | — | 7 |
| | Penalty on persons throwing ballast over board into the harbour | — | 15 |

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| Quiet posses- sion | The act for further quieting the possession of lands, &c. passed in 1731, explained—Seven years quiet possession, a good title against all persons whatever | 16 | 1 |
| | Lands belonging to the Crown, if settled upon, settled to hold the same after seven years quiet possession | — | 1 |
| Boundaries | Boundaries of lands, acquiesced in for seven years, established—Proviso in favour of Minors, &c. in case they contest the same within five years after being in a capacity | — | 2, 3 |

LAW AND LAW SUITS.

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| Satisfaction | Penalty on Plaintiffs in judgments satisfied, or their representatives refusing to enter satisfaction on request and tender of fees for same | 8 23 | 1 12 |
| | Fees need not be tendered, but the Officer tax same in costs | 13 | 2 |
| Foreigners | Foreigners may prosecute suits in this island, in the names of Trustees, of forfeited securities—but not enter or foreclose | — | — |
| Quiet posses- sion | The act for further quieting possessions, &c. passed in 1731, explained.—Persons having been in quiet possession of lands or negroes for seven years, to hold the same against all persons whomsoever | 16 | 1 |
| Boundaries | Boundaries of lands acquiesced in for seven years, established—except in cases of infants, &c. provided they contest the same within five years after being in a capacity.—This act not to extend to any judgment given, or suit commenced, prior to passing the same | — | 2—4 |
| Slaves | Seven years quiet possession of slaves purchased under writs of Venditioni, a good title in bar, except in cases of infants, women under coverture, Non Sans, Absentees, and persons in reversion, &c. provided they sue within 5 years after disability removed, or title accrue | 100 | 1 |
| Bonds and Notes. | An act passed in 1773, to prevent the fraudulent passing of bonds, &c. repealed. | — | 1—3 |
| | —No bond, or note passed away to be good for more than really due thereon at the time of passing the same.—How bonds to be assigned, &c. | 23 | 4 |
| | Persons assigning bonds for more than bona fide due thereon, how punishable | — | 9 |
| | Blank assignments of bonds passed before this act, may be filled up before witness | — | — |
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| Bonds and Notes | Juries in their verdicts on bonds, to state the sums that may be wrote off;—and such sums shall be allowed | 23 | 10 |
| | Notes and orders hereafter to be granted, carrying interest, to bear the same rate after judgment as before | — | 11 |
| Bills of exchange | No action to lye on a foreign bill of exchange, until the same has been protested for non-payment | 34 | 1 |
| Wills | Devifes of slaves in wills made and recorded before the first of January, 1777, declared valid, though not executed according to the form prescribed by the 29th Car. 2d—but otherwise if made after that time, unless so executed | 38 | 1 |
| Executors and administrators | Executors or administrators after the 22d of December, 1775, having pleaded <i>Non est factum Testatoris</i> , <i>Non assumpsit Testator</i> , or such like bars as their Testators or Intestates might, if living, have pleaded, not to be barred thereby on <i>Scire Facias</i> , or otherwise—Nor are the same to be taken as conclusive evidence of the admission of assets | 39 | 1 |
| | And in all actions then depending; or after, to be brought against them, deemed a legal defence to plead such bars thereto as the Testator's or Intestate's might, if living, have pleaded, and not be taken as conclusive evidence of admission of assets | — | 2 |
| | May sue or defend in their name, any action or suit concerning slaves belonging to or in possession of their Testator or Intestate at his decease, and recover the same in like manner as the Testator or Intestate might have done, if living | — | 3 |
| | Provided same be not brought or defended against persons lawfully possessed, but only against those having no legal title | — | 4 |
| Martial law | Declared that Martial-law being in force on the last Tuesday in August, 1776, did not cause a discontinuance of any suit, process, or proceedings, civil or criminal whatever | 44 | 1 |
| | And that the same being in force at any future time when the Supreme Court ought to be held, shall not cause any discontinuance | — | 2 |
| | [See, Title JUDGMENTS] | | |
| Writs of error | No execution to be stayed by Writ of Error or Superfedeas brought for reversing judgments for debts, &c. unless besides the usual security, bond be given to prosecute the same with effect, and to pay the debt, or damages and costs adjudged, in case the judgment be affirmed, &c. | 48 | 1 |
| | In cases of dower, partition, or ejectment; the bond to be for payment of costs and damages; to be awarded if judgment affirmed, &c. | — | 2 |
| | And a writ to issue to enquire as well of the mesne profits, as of the damages by any waste committed after judgment; and on return thereof, judgment to be given, and execution awarded for the same, with costs.—This act not to extend to Writs of Error to be brought by Executors or Administrators, nor to any action popular, or on penal statute, indictment, &c. | — | 3 |
| Emblements | Mode of applying for, enquiring into, and determining the quantity and value of Emblements | 87 | 1 |
| | After valuation taken and returned, court may give judgment; and enforce the same by writs of Execution and Venditioni — Parties may appear in court and give security to deliver produce in kind to the amount of such valuation.— | — | |
| | Where lands lye in several parishes, separate writs of Inquiry to issue | — | 3 |
| | No person to enter into another's land for emblements;—and what shall hereafter be deemed emblements described | — | 4, 5 |
| | If tenant for life be off the Island at his death;—or the person intitled be absent whilst crop on the ground; he may issue his writ after crop taken off | — | 6 |
| Priority | Negroes, monies or goods, returned upon writs for emblements, not applicable to prior writs against persons in reversion or remainder | — | 7 |
| Actions | All actions and prosecutions brought against persons for having acted under the Lieutenant-Governor's proclamation of the 2d of August, 1782, prohibiting the exportation of naval stores, declared void; and this act may be given in evidence, in defence of any future action— and sutor, if cast, to pay double costs | 105 | 1 |
| Proclamation | Civil writs executed on the persons or property of militia officers or privates while on duty, &c. declared void | 112 | 21 |
| Writs | Levies made on any writ, not to be removed off the premises, in case a docket of mortgage or other prior incumbrance, and an affidavit that the slaves, &c. levied on are included therein, be produced to the Marshal five days after levy made by the defendant or person claiming title thereto under such mortgage, &c. and complying with the other requisites in this clause stated. | 101 | 1 |
| Prior incumbrances | | | The |

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| Prior incumbrances | The levies deemed to be in the Marshal's custody, from the time the same were made | 101 | 4 |
| Overseers | Persons not complying with their engagements in the first clause mentioned, how punishable—Engagements made by overseers, &c. to be binding on the principal | — | 2, 3 |
| Replevins | On trial of replevins brought under this act against the Marshal for levies, not necessary to produce the same— and what proof deemed sufficient | — | 3 |
| Perjury | Persons claiming title under mortgage, &c. on trial of replevins, punishable as in England | — | 6 |
| Deputy-Marshals | Deputy marshals abusing their duty prescribed by this act, liable to fine and imprisonment, and to make good all losses, damages, &c. sustained by the party injured.—This act not to extend to replevins brought in any other case | — | 7 |
| Quit-Rent Bonds | Writs of Venditioni to be issued by virtue of this act, for non-payment of Quit-rent bonds, to have priority to all other writs, &c. whatever | 111 | 8 |
| Priority | Where bonds given by attornies, &c. the writs not to issue thereon against their property, but the property of the person for whom they were given | — | 8 |
| Juries | No person exempt from serving on Juries, on account of any commission or office, except, &c. | 116 | 10 |
| Laws | The exclusive right of printing and publishing this volume of Jamaica laws, containing those passed from 1770 to 1783 inclusive, vested in <i>James Jones, Esquire</i> , for ten years.—And penalty on other persons for printing the same, &c. | 120 | 1 |
| M A R I N E R S. | | | |
| Lumber | Masters of vessels importing boards, scantling, &c. into this Island, to apply to a Sworn Measurer to attend the landing, and to measure same—Neglect 50l. | 111 | 1 |
| Free negroes, &c. | Penalty for carrying off the Island, any free Negro, Mulatto, or Indian, without a certificate of freedom, 500l. | 57 | 1 |
| Slaves | If any slave be carried from this Island in any vessel, although unknown to the master at his departure, he shall nevertheless pay the owner 500l.—unless on his arrival at the first port of destination he secures the slave, and sends the same back, or brings such slave back on his return, and deliver him or her to the owner | — | 2 |
| Felony | Masters of vessels convicted of knowingly carrying away slaves from this Island, without the owner's consent, to suffer death, without benefit of clergy | — | 3 |
| Convicts | Undertaking to transport convict slaves, giving a receipt for so doing, and afterwards bringing them back to this Island, liable to forfeit 100l. and suffer six months imprisonment | — | — |
| Freightage | Persons keeping vessels for transporting goods from one port to another about this Island, may demand freight for the same, according to the rates affixed to this act | 91 | 54 |
| Kingston | And may detain so much out of any goods brought from the out-ports to Kingston, as the freight amounts to, on refusal of payment—the same to be valued by a Magistrate | 115 | 1 |
| | And for any goods carried to the out-ports, may after delivery, demand payment of the shipper; and if refused, apply to two Justices of Kingston | — | 2 |
| | May agree with shippers for the rate of freight to the out-ports, or from one out-port to another; and on refusal of payment, apply to any Justice | — | 3 |
| | In time of war, may demand for freight 50l. per cent. on the fixed rates | — | 4 |
| Shippers | Shippers of goods from any port to another in this Island, to deliver the same by weight, gauge, &c. to the master, and take his receipt or bill of lading, and transmit one, with the invoice, to the Consignee—or forfeit the value of the goods that may be lost—Penalty on master refusing to sign same | — | 15 |
| | The like clause respecting vessels plying between Kingston, Passage-Fort, and Port-Henderson | — | 5 |
| Mariners | Masters required to sign two or more receipts or bills of lading for goods to be carried from the out-ports to Kingston | — | 14 |
| | To clear their vessels out at the proper offices every time of sailing from Kingston; the ports to which bound, to be mentioned in the clearance:—Penalty for stopping at any other port, except in case of necessity, of which they are to make protest | — | 7 |
| | Penalty for disposing of, or not delivering goods taken on freight | — | 8 |
| | And for not delivering goods at the port specified in the bill of lading, and according to the weight, gauge, &c. at which they received them | — | 9 |
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| Rum | Penalty for signing bills of lading for proof rum, and not delivering it in like good order | 115 | 11 |
| Wines | Penalty for spoiling or adulterating Madeira or other wines, taken on freight | — | 12, 14 |
| Vessels | All vessels kept for transporting freight about this Island, to be registered and numbered.—Penalty for keeping vessels not so registered and numbered, or putting same under command of a Mulatto, &c.—This act not to extend to vessels trading to this Island from other parts; nor to Plantain-boats at Port-Royal or Kingston | — | 13 |
| Contraband Goods | Masters of vessels importing any sugars, rum, &c. the growth of French, Spanish, Dutch, or Danish colonies, (except agreeable to British regulations) to forfeit five hundred pounds | 118 | 2 |
| | Having on board any sugars, &c. the growth of any American colony, not under the King's dominion, within 24 hours after arriving in any port of entry, to make entry and report thereof on oath at the Custom-house, on pain of forfeiting vessel and cargo | — | 9 |
| Cockets | Penalty on masters or owners of vessels who shall permit to be taken on board any more goods than inserted in their list of certificates of produce delivered in to the Receiver-General, and sworn to, with an intent to defraud | — | 11 |
| Naval Commanders | Commanders of ships of war required to seize such goods and vessels as above | — | 2 |
| | [Vide Title SMUGGLING.] | | |
| M A R K E T S. | | | |
| Meat | Two former acts for appointing the prices of meat; one passed in 1681, and the other in 1693, so far as they relate to that head, repealed | 86 | 1 |
| M A R T I A L - L A W. | | | |
| Councils of War | Martial law not to be declared or imposed, but by the opinion and advice of a Council of War; and unless continued by such advice, <i>ipso facto</i> , to determine in thirty days after declared—Power of the Commander in chief at such times | 112 | 36, 37 |
| | Of whom Councils of War to be composed | — | 34 |
| | In case the Assembly be dissolved, or otherwise at an end, the late members may notwithstanding sit and vote at Councils of War | — | 35 |
| Arrests | Persons attempting to go off the Island during Martial-law, may be arrested for debt, or detained by Chancery Process, or foreign Attachments may issue against their goods and chattles | 61 | 1 |
| Attachments | Judges and Justices empowered to act in all criminal matters; and Coroners required to do their duty, as in time of common law | — | 2 |
| Forcible entry | In cases of forcible entry, Judges of the Supreme Court empowered to sign Writs of Restitution and Possession; and the Justices of Assize, and of the Peace, empowered to order, and act; and the Provost-Marshal, Deputies and Constables, to execute the writs, &c. as if Martial-law were not in force | — | 3 |
| Landlords | Landlords may distrain for rent as at other times, giving security to make restitution in case Replevin brought, and Judgment pass against them | — | 4 |
| | Justices, Vestry-men, Church wardens, Surveyors of highways, and Constables, to proceed in discharge of their duty, during Martial-law; and liable to the same penalties for neglect, as during common law | — | 5 |
| | Constables distraining for taxes, to give security to make restitution in case Judgment pass against them in Replevin | — | 6 |
| MASTERS and OWNERS of SLAVES. | | | |
| Manumissions | No person to manumise a slave, without first giving security to the Church-wardens for paying such slave, five pounds per annum, during life | 33 | 1 |
| Devises | Devises of slaves in wills made and recorded before the first of January, 1777, good, though not executed according to the statute of 29th Car. 2d.— <i>Aliter</i> if made after that time, unless so executed | 18 | 1 |
| Minors | Purchasers of slaves belonging to the estates of minors, to be fined and imprisoned for shipping them off, &c. | 41 | 1 |

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| Inveigling | Owners, &c. of slaves, notwithstanding they prosecute, are allowed good evidence against inveiglers, &c. | 74 | 17 |
| | Persons aggrieved by the offence of inveigling, &c. if not examined as witnesses, to receive one-half of the fines and penalties inflicted—but if examined, to receive nothing | — | 24 |
| | In case of acquittal, the person complaining to pay the Defendant's expences, at the discretion of the Judges, &c. not exceeding fifty pounds | — | 22 |
| | Persons preferring false or malicious prosecutions, made liable to an action on the case | — | 28 |
| Mortgagors, &c. | Penalty on mortgagors, tenants by the curtesy, in dower, or for life, for sending slaves off the island, or otherwise disposing of them | — | 30 |
| | Penalty on owners, &c. of slaves, for permitting them to hire themselves out, or build huts; or letting huts or houses to them, for the purpose of carrying on trade, &c. | — | 32 |
| Runaways | Owners, &c. to pay rewards for apprehending, and mile-money, for runaway slaves taken up and sent to the Work-house, and six-pence per diem for maintenance and other expences | 82 | 8 |
| | To pay ten shillings for taking up each slave found without a ticket, at eight miles distant from his habitation, besides mile-money:—For slaves belonging to the towns, the reward to be paid, though found at a less distance | 91 | 17, 18 |
| Overseers | Penalty for not giving in to a Magistrate, quarterly accounts on oath, of runaway slaves from each plantation—particularly describing them | — | 20 |
| | Overseers neglecting to give in such accounts, the proprietor may deduct the penalty out of their wages | — | 21 |
| | Penalty on them for permitting slaves on plantations, to assemble and beat drums, &c. | — | 14 |
| | Overseers liable to be fined five pounds, for leaving the estate on Negro holidays, without their employers leave | — | 50 |
| | Penalty on owners, &c. of slaves on plantations, for not allotting them sufficient provision grounds, and allowing them time to work the same;—and for not planting besides, one acre for every four | — | 3 |
| | For not making ample provision for them otherwise, if no land proper for that purpose | — | 3 |
| | For not providing them annually with sufficient cloathing to be approved of by a Magistrate | — | 4 |
| | For allowing slaves on plantations and settlements any other Holidays than directed by this act | — | 11 |
| | For suffering drumming or meetings of slaves on plantations, and not endeavouring to prevent the same by giving immediate notice to the next Magistrate or Commanding Officer | — | 22 |
| | But Masters or Owners may grant liberty to the slaves to assemble for innocent amusement | — | 14 |
| | Owners to have two days notice of trial of slaves, under this act, for capital offences | — | 29 |
| | Prosecuting their own slaves—if executed, to be allowed their value by the parish, not exceeding 40l. each | — | 30 |
| | But not to be allowed for slaves capitally convicted for running away | — | 32 |
| | If slaves, not transported according to sentence, by their owners, the Marshal to transport them | — | 34 |
| | Owners to pay the expences attending trials of slaves for petty offences | — | 35 |
| Murder | Where slaves cannot be taken on warrants, their owner, &c. to be served with copy, and produce them, under penalty of 100l. | — | 43 |
| | Possessors of slaves, purchased under writs of Venditioni, &c. having been for 12 months in peaceable possession, not liable to pay any hire, &c. by way of mesne profits | 100 | 2 |
| Dismembering Tickets | Persons killing their own slaves,—first offence, Felony within clergy, and imprisonment, not exceeding 12 months; for second offence, Death, without benefit of clergy | 91 | 37 |
| | Penalty for mutilating or dismembering slaves | — | 6 |
| | Penalty for permitting slaves to go out from plantations without tickets | — | 9 |

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Horses, &c.

Possessors of plantations or pennis, knowingly having thereon any horse, &c. the reputed property of a slave, to cause the same to be taken up, advertised, and publicly sold—and Penalty

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Penalty for permitting slaves to keep Horses, &c. on plantations or pennis

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On giving in accounts of stock, &c. to the Vestry, to make oath that none of the cattle so given in, belong to slaves; and that they have none such in their possession

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Negro huts

Owners of lot land in the three towns, to give in to the Clerk of the Vestry, an account of Negro huts, &c. built thereon, and the number of Negroes therein, on pain of having them pulled down.—How the huts to be built

M I L I T I A.

Accoutrements

Penalty on persons from sixteen to sixty years of age, for not enlisting in the Militia (members of the Council, Speaker of the Assembly, Chief-Justice, and those who have borne commissions and not been degraded, excepted)

Penalty on privates of foot for appearing on duty without proper accoutrements and dress—Dress described

Penalty on privates of horse for not appearing as above

Arms and accoutrements to be provided at the public expence

No private of horse to remove to the foot, nor from the foot to the horse, without leave

Officers and privates protected in their persons and property from process, while on duty, &c.

Privates absenting themselves from duty, or appearing on duty with arms and accoutrements not in good order and fit for service,—disobeying their officers commands, &c.—how punishable

Artillery

Companies of artillery to be attached to, and do duty with the battalion or regiment to which they belong

Clerks of the Vestry
Commissions

Penalty on Clerks of the Vestry for not delivering to the commanding-officer of the regiment in each parish, quarterly lists of names given in to save deficiency

Commissions appointing gunners of nominal forts, without guns; or having guns, if granted to persons not residing in the parish, declared void—and such persons obliged to enlist

No commission appointing an Aid-de-Camp, or Staff-officer, to be granted to any of an inferior rank to a Captain

Commissions to be granted to none but Freeholders, except in the principal towns

No second fee to be paid for commissions conferring the same rank, on change of the Governor

Officers

Commanding-officers of regiments or battalions may form flank companies at their discretion

No officer to resign his commission, but by order of the Governor, or on cause shewn to a General-court-martial

Officers of brevet-rank to accept commissions not inferior to their former regimental rank

Commanding-officers of horse and foot in every parish, to appoint a place to exercise, and order such exercise once every month, under penalty of 50l.

Captains, &c. under penalty of ten pounds, to make field returns within three days after the time appointed for exercise, to the Commanding-officer of the regiment; who is to transmit the same to the Governor once in every three months—and penalty

The Commanding-officer of each district to order a general muster once every three months—Penalty 100l.

And for that purpose may fix on any convenient place in their district, not being cultivated or inclosed ground

Penalty on officers for absenting themselves from duty at times appointed for exercise or general musters

Officers of regiments not to resign their commissions on account of others being granted to reformed officers

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| Officers. | Removing from one pariſh to another, how to conduct themſelves, and be proceeded with | 112 | 33 |
| | Commanding-officers of regiments, &c. empowered on their march to procure reſreſhments, and impreſs wains and cattle for carrying baggage, giving proper certificates | — | 37 |
| | Officers empowered to enter into any place to ſuppreſs drumming, and the con- courſe of ſlaves | 91 | 13 |
| Contraband Goods | Empowered to ſeiſe contraband goods imported contrary to the directions in this act, and what--and alſo the veſſels importing the ſame [See Title Smuggling] | 118 | 2 |
| Reformed Officers | Reformed officers to tranſmit to the Governor, their names, rank, place of abode, and date of commiſſions; and be obliged to accept of the commiſſions tendered them, not being inferior to their former,--on pain of being degraded, and ob- liged to enliſt | 112 | 14 |
| Courts martial | The Governor empowered to grant commiſſions for ſummoning and holding Courts-martial | — | 25 |
| | Of whom, and what number general and regimental courts-martial reſpectively to conſiſt, and how to be ſummoned | — | 26 |
| | Penalty on officers for not attending the ſame, when ſummoned | — | 27 |
| | And if during Martial-law, may be tried for the default | — | 41 |
| | The members to be ſworn to decide impartially;--may ſwear witneſſes on trials-- Punishment for perjury--Judgment to be given by the majority--not ſubject to re- viſion--Diſobedience thereto, how puniſhable | 29 | 33 |
| | Delinquents, to be tried by a General Court-Martial, to have five days notice-- if by a-regimental ditto, two days--not appearing, or keeping out of the way to avoid ſervice, how to be puniſhed | — | 28 |
| | May be tried for offences committed in Martial Law, without notice | — | 40 |
| Judge-Advo- cate | Judge-Advocate to keep minutes of proceedings of Courts-Martial, and of the receipt and application of fines.--To be open to Officers inſpection | — | 46 |
| Deſpatches | Who to carry deſpatches during Martial Law---how regulated.--Penalty on per- ſons for ſending by a Trooper deſpatches of a private nature-- and upon the public meſſenger, for charging troopers with his office meſſages | — | 39 |
| Law-Suits | Commanding Officers not liable to proſecution for muſtering or exerciſing their re- giments on grounds not cultivated or incloſed | — | 20 |
| | Nor for impreſſing wains, carts or cattle, for carrying baggage, during a march in Martial-law | — | 38 |
| | Perſons ſued for any thing done in purſuance of this act, or of a former act, for ſettling the Militia, to plead the general iſſue--and the ſutor, if caſt, to pay all coſts and expences | — | 42 |
| Fines | Warrants for levying fines, not ſigned by the Governor, to be directed to the Mar- ſhal of the regiment, who may deduct 25l. per cent. for levying the ſame; the remainder to be paid to the Commanding Officer--How to be applied | — | 43 |
| | Warrants for levying fines, ſigned by the Governor, to be directed to the Provost Marshal, who is to pay ſuch fines to the Receiver-General | — | 44 |
| Adjutant. | The Adjutant of each regiment to keep an account of the receipt and application of all fines paid to the Commanding Officer. | — | 45 |

M O N I E S and C O I N S.

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| Coining, &c. | Perſons convicted of coining, forging, counterfeiting, debaſing, clipping, filing or lightning any Monies or Coins made current by law, or common conſent in this iſland, to ſuffer death without benefit of clergy | 21 | 1 |
| Clipping, &c. | Perſons knowingly having clippings or filings of current coin in their poſſeſſion, to forfeit the ſame, together with 500l. and be branded on the right cheek | — | 2 |
| | — being convicted of knowingly importing any baſe, falſe or counterfeit coin, re- ſembling the current coin, into this Iſland, to ſuffer death without benefit of clergy | — | 4 |
| | Weight and value of gold coins particularized and eſtabliſhed | — | 5, 6 |
| | To be a legal tender in all payments, at the fixed value | — | 7 |
| | This act not to reſtrain his Maſteſty from regulating the rates of coin in this Iſland by proclamation, or aſſenting to any law for that purpoſe | — | 8 |
| | Coins offered in payment, if ſuſpected to be baſe or counterfeit, may be carried to a Magiſtrate; who may cauſe the ſame to be cut, and delivered back to the owner | — | 9 |

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Monies

Monies remaining in the hands of the Provost-Marshal, Receiver-General, or Pay-masters of regiments, and appearing on oath to belong to suitors, or the public, to be weighed, and the deficiency made good by the Receiver-General

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NEGRO TOWNS, and MAROONS.

Maroons

Maroons disobeying the Governor's orders, or raising tumults, &c. may be punished by the Superintendent, &c. not extending to life or limb

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May be tried for such offences, or others, under the Governor's commission, or by two Justices and three Freeholders;—if acquitted, such acquittal to be a bar to any other proceedings for the same offence

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Absenting themselves from their towns without leave, or for seven days longer than allowed, how to be tried—If convicted, may be deprived of freedom, and transported by the Receiver-General, and sold—Sentence to be certified to the Governor, and not executed without his direction

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Merchants

The like punishment for enticing or endeavouring to entice slaves to runaway Detected of purchasing slaves, same to be forfeited; and 100l. penalty on Merchants for selling them; and purchasers of slaves in trust for them to forfeit one hundred pounds

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To repair once every year, the roads leading to their towns or settlements, and be paid for the same one ryal per day each

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Superintendants

Duty of the Superintendants in regard to sending out parties, regulated

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To make quarterly returns to the Governor on oath, of the number of Negroes fit and unfit for duty, &c.

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Parties

Establishment of pay to the officers and men whilst on actual duty—Each party to be supplied with arms and ammunition—Not to consist of more than six, including officers, except on particular occasions

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This act to be read and explained every three months in each town, by the white men, to the negroes

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OFFICES and OFFICERS, (public).

Public officers

Public Officers, viz. the Island Secretary, Provost-Marshal, Clerk of the Supreme Court, and Register of the Court of Chancery, by the 1st of December, 1774, to enter into recognizances, with sureties, before the Chief Justice, for due discharge of their offices

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Penalty on them for executing their offices before recognizance entered into, 1000l. and be incapacitated

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To give previous notice of entering into recognizances, with names of the sureties, to the Attorney-General.—Amount of the different recognizances specified

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Coroner

The duty and fees of the Coroner on taking inquisitions, regulated

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Required to execute his office during Martial Law

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Clerk of the Court

Penalty on Clerk of the Court for refusing to enter satisfaction on records of satisfied judgments, on payment of 2s. 6d. fee

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Required to enter same without payment of fee, but to tax the same in costs

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To keep a separate book for recording assignments of judgments, and mark the same in the margin of the records of judgment assigned

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To record the lists returned into his office by the Provost-Marshal, of writs satisfied, and to enter satisfaction in the margin of the judgments

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And return certificates into the Provost-Marshal's office, of every satisfaction entered

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To keep regular fore and back alphabets of judgments

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To make assignments of the estate and effects of Insolvent Debtors cleared under this act

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To tax in costs a fee of 2s. 6d. to be paid to the Provost-Marshal for entering satisfaction on writs of execution

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Clerk of the Peace

Clerk of the Peace required to attend the trials of inveiglers of slaves, and prepare charge, and record the proceedings

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His fees for the same.—Penalty for neglect of duty

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Martial Law

To draw the Jury on such trials by ballot—May do his duty therein, notwithstanding Martial-law

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| Martial law | To enter orders of sessions for Constables to take up slaves found without tickets, at places of public resort | 91 | 10 |
| Masters in Chancery | Fees of Masters in Chancery established | 76 | 1 |
| | Penalty for demanding or receiving any greater or other fees than those established—and be incapacitated | — | 2 |
| | No commissions allowed them on sales of estates | — | 3 |
| | Hours appointed them to transact business on references | — | 5 |
| | All clauses in former acts that relate to Masters fees, repealed | — | 4 |
| | In all disputes between masters and the parties, or solicitors, respecting fees,—their bill to be referred to the Register to be taxed | — | 7 |
| Register in Chancery | Penalty on the Register in Chancery for not fixing up in his office, a table of the Masters fees.—His fees for taxing Masters bills | 76 | 6, 8 |
| Governor's Secretary | General fees of the Governor's Secretary established | 106 | 2—40 |
| | Penalty for not fixing up a table of fees in his office—and for demanding greater or other fees than those established—and be incapacitated | — | 42, 43 |
| Civil and military officers | Civil and military officers empowered and required to enter into places to suppress the drumming, and concourse of slaves | 91 | 13 |
| Collector | [For fees of the Collector, for entering and clearing vessels, see title SHIPS] | | |
| | Collector, or his deputies to go on board Flags-of-Truce, and other outward-bound vessels, to see if more naval stores on board than the necessary quantity sworn to | 105 | 3 |
| | And if such greater quantity be found, may proceed against the vessel and cargo for confiscation in the Supreme Court | — | 4, 5 |
| Naval officer | The same duty required of, and power given to the Naval-officer, as to the Collector, respecting Flags-of-Truce | — | 3—5 |
| | [For his fees, for entering and clearing out vessels, see title SHIPS] | | |
| Contraband goods | Required as well as the other Officers of the Customs, to seize goods imported contrary to this act, and what; and also the vessels importing the same. [See title SMUGGLING] | 118 | 2 |
| | Wherries and boats plying in Kingston harbour, to be registered in the Naval-office | 36 | 2 |
| | A similar clause respecting coasting vessels | 115 | 13 |
| Secretary | Secretary to destroy all deeds and papers (except wills) that have been recorded, and remained in his office 20 years | 87 | 5 |
| | If the office receipt for any deed or paper, that has been recorded two years, be lost, Secretary may deliver the same to the party entitled, on entering a receipt in the proper book | — | 6 |
| | Secretary obliged to transmit to the Receiver-General, dockets of deeds and patents, recorded in his office | 113 | 14 |
| Attorney-General | Attorney-General required to prosecute, in the Grand Court, all such merchandise as is prohibited by, and specified in this act—and also the vessels importing the same—and penalty | 118 | 2 |
| | And to prosecute persons for buying or selling Indians, imported since the 28th of December, 1741, or their descendants | 53 | 1 |
| Clerk of the Crown | The Clerk of the Crown also required to prosecute persons for buying or selling Indians | — | 1 |
| OFFICE of the PROVOST-MARSHAL and his DEPUTIES. | | | |
| Satisfaction | Penalty on Provost-Marshal for not returning into the Clerk of the Court's office, within ten days after every court, lists of writs returned satisfied | 23 | 13 |
| | And for not making entries in his books of writs returned satisfied to him by the Clerk of the Court, on payment of fee | — | 14 |
| | Within three months after passing this act, to enter satisfaction gratis, on the records of all writs of execution, in his office, that appear satisfied—Neglect fool. | 83 | 1 |
| | After passing this act, a fee of 2s. 6d. to be paid to the Provost-Marshal for entering satisfaction, upon lodging the original execution—Penalty on him for neglecting the same, 500l. | — | 2 |

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| Satisfaction | To keep back alphabets of priority, and make therein the proper entries, to be open to inspection—Penalty on him for taking away or destroying any such alphabets, 10,000l. | 83 | 4. |
| Martial-law | Provost-Marshal and Deputies may execute writs of arrest or other process, issued against persons going off the Island, during Martial Law And required to execute writs and other process in cases of forcible entry and detainer—and penalty | 61 | 1. |
| Emblements | Provost-Marshal to warn freeholders to attend the execution of writs of Enquiry of Emblements; and one or more Justice to attend to swear them.—To give fourteen days notice of executing the same—May appoint a deputy to do it—Fees for the same | 87 | 1—3 |
| Jurors | To make return to the court, of defaulters in attendance under this act, with an affidavit of service of notice—Neglect, twenty pounds | — | 8 |
| Slaves | Jurors protected from all mesne and judicial process on such attendances Marshal levying upon slaves of persons having only an estate for life or years therein, to give notice thereof to the purchasers at the time of sale—Penalty 500l. Penalty for not giving public notice fifteen days previous to the sale of slaves taken on Venditioni. | 45 | 5 |
| Gaol-keepers | And for not giving immediate and particular notice in the public papers, of Replevins brought against them for slaves in their custody, not taken on Venditioni or other process Marshals and Gaol-keepers in Surry and Middlesex, empowered to charge 15 d. per day, for the maintenance of slaves sent to gaol, instead of 9d. | 74 | 29 |
| Minors | Penalty for knowingly levying upon and selling the slaves of Minors, upon any writ for debt for which their estates are not liable Penalty for not postponing the sale of them, on notice given him that application will be made to have them delivered up. | 85 | 1 |
| Inveigling | Marshals to execute warrants for taking up Inveiglers of slaves;—for summoning a jury to try them—and for apprehending the slaves inveigled May be directed by the Judge or Justices to produce witnesses that may be in their custody, upon such trials Penalty for not returning warrants and summonses to the Judge and Justices, at the time and place specified To execute warrants for levying fines, &c. imposed by this act, (except on Justices) and pay the same to the Receiver-General, deducting thereout, besides costs, a commission of 5l. per cent. and 5l. for executing warrants | 45 | 2 |
| Escape | Penalty on Marshal, if any person committed to his custody under this act, escapes | — | 4 |
| Convicts | Marshals having the custody of slaves sentenced to transportation, to cause them to be transported within three months after their owners refusal or neglect Penalty on the Provost-Marshal for not transporting and selling of free Negroes, &c. convicted—within six months | 74 | 6—8 |
| Elections | Provost-Marshal to transmit warrants to the Custodes or Justices for warning Freeholders to appear at elections of representatives—and penalty To administer the qualification oath to Freeholders.—Any person, other than the Provost-Marshal or his Deputies, presuming to administer the same, to be fined and imprisoned Provost-Marshal or his Deputies taking the poll at elections, not to vote until sworn to their qualifications, by a Justice or Candidate, if required.—Committing perjury, how punishable In what manner, and at what place, Marshal to take the poll—In cases of controverted elections, poll to be transmitted to the Secretary's office on oath—under pain of fine and imprisonment Penalty on the Marshal for improperly refusing to admit, or improperly admitting, persons to vote at elections—Fine and imprisonment | — | 10 |
| Militia | Penalty for arresting or detaining by civil process, the person, or levying upon the property of any officer or private in the Militia, while on duty, &c. | — | 11 |
| Fines | Provost-Marshal to execute Governor's warrants for levying fines on offenders under this act; and to pay the same to the Receiver-General | 71 | 2, 4 |
| Quit-rents | To execute writs of Venditioni, issued for non-payment of quit-rent bonds, and pay the sums levied to the Receiver-General—and may levy thereon their poundage | — | 8, 9 |
| Prisoners | Required the first Wednesday of every Grand Court and Courts of Assize, to deliver in an alphabetical list, on oath, of all prisoners confined in their custody for debt | 112 | 11 |
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| Prisoners | To deliver over to the assignees the effects of prisoners discharged under the Insolvent act | 109 | 2 |
| Replevins | Persons, on whose motion trials of replevins are put off, to pay the Provost-Marshal for detaining the replevied property | 96 | 3 |
| Prior incumbrances | Marshals not to remove levies off the premises, in case the person claiming title thereto under any mortgage or other prior incumbrance, or other person for him do, within five days after levy made, produce a docket and affidavit--and give the acknowledgment and engagement in this clause directed | 101 | 1 |
| | The levies to be considered in the Marshal's custody from the time taken, but no fees to be paid him thereon, until delivered over to be sold | — | 4 |
| | Punishment on Deputy-Marshals for acting contrary to the terms and true tenor of this act | — | 7 |
| Process | Deputy-Marshals where they cannot execute process directed to them, in due course and according to the exigency thereof, through distance or other obstruction, must express in their returns the particular reasons for not executing the same;--which reasons the Provost-Marshal is to file;--and the deputies to swear to the same, if required | 116 | 1 |
| | Penalty for not using their utmost diligence to execute process; or may be dismissed | — | 4 |
| | Provost-Marshal to keep an alphabetical register of all actions, bench-warrants &c. delivered to him for execution.—His fees for executing bench-warrants | — | 2, 3 |
| | The second Wednesday in every Supreme Court, to deliver to the Attorney and Receiver-Generals, a list of all process and returns thereto, and of the fines, &c. received by him concerning the revenue | — | 6 |
| | Required to issue precepts on writs of Execution—and his deputies to give due notice thereof to the defendants, or no Venditioni to issue thereon | — | 5 |
| Priority | Where monies levied on Venditioni are subject to prior writs, the Provost Marshal to make a particular return thereof—How to form his panel of Jurors | — | 7, 8 |
| Jurors | May by warrant appoint deputies to execute writs of Partition | — | 11 |
| Partition | To pay evidences for the crown, who are confined for securing their appearance | — | 13 |
| Evidence | five shillings per day | — | 13 |
| Highways | Penalty for making levies on slaves, cattle, wains, &c, whilst working on the highways | 117 | 17 |
| Contraband goods | Required to execute writs of Assistance issued by Magistrates, to search for contraband goods—and penalty | 118 | 6 |
| OFFICE of the RECEIVER-GENERAL. | | | |
| Public cash | Commissioners appointed to settle with the Receiver-General, the accounts of public cash, and to count the same.—Receiver-General required to keep in separate book, one general account of public cash received and paid, and balance the same weekly--and penalty | 25 | 1, 2 |
| | Empowered to lend a sum not exceeding 5000l. out of the public monies, to the Commissioners appointed by the act for building the bridge over the Rio-Cobre &c. upon the same security as others might lend the same | 43 | 8 |
| | And to lend them a further sum not exceeding 5000l. on the like security | 49 | 3 |
| Slaves | An act for vesting runaway slaves in his Majesty, &c. passed in 1757, repealed; and the Receiver-General required within six months to collect such slaves, and expose them singly to sale, giving due notice;--and persons having such slaves in possession, required to deliver them to him | 62 | 1 |
| Public credit | Empowered within twelve months to borrow 30,000l. on interest;--his contracts for the same to be binding on the Public, until paid off--and all the public funds made subject thereto | 66 | 1—3 |
| | To grant certificates for the same to the lenders, and to take them after one year in payment for taxes | — | 4 |
| | In what manner the loan, and interest thereof, are to be secured and paid | — | 5—9 |
| | How the monies lent to be applied.—Receiver-General to detain thereout two and a half per cent. for doing his duty, and give security for duly accounting | — | 10, 11 |
| | This act to remain in force until the whole loan and interest be paid off | — | 12 |
| Quit-rent bonds | To receive bonds in payment of Quit-rents due on the 1st of November, 1784. and give receipts.—If not paid according to condition, to exhibit the same to the Grand Court; and a Venditioni being granted thereon, he is to endorse and deliver the same to the Provost-Marshal | 113 | 3 |

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Quit-rent
bonds

To allow a discount to persons who have paid interest for their Quit-rents from the 1st of January, 1760; provided such persons give in and satisfy their arrears as by this act provided for

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To transmit by the 1st of January in every year, to the Justices and Vestry in every parish where the lands lie, true copies of the docketts of deeds and patents sent him by the Island secretary

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May take out writs of Venditioni against the securities of Collecting constables for non-payment of their rolls; and also against the Constables themselves, if not taken on attachment, in like manner as if judgment obtained

21

Penalty on the Receiver-General, and his deputies, neglecting their duty under this act—one hundred pounds

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Contraband
Goods

Receiver-General required to seize goods imported into this Island contrary to this act, and what, and also the vessels importing the same

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And transmit an account of the same to the Attorney-General--and penalty—What expences he is directed to pay respecting the same

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To detain a sufficient number of the crew to give evidence respecting such vessels and goods--and penalty

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Docketts

Penalty for clearing out any vessel from any port, &c. of the Island, until the master shall have produced, on oath, a list of certificates in the form prescribed, of all the sugars, &c. shipped, or to be shipped on board;—and the Receiver-General, under penalty, to transmit the same to the Clerk of the Vestry where the vessel loaded, for public inspection

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P A R I S H E S.

Gaols

The several parishes remote from county prisons, empowered to raise a tax for building gaols

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And to raise a further tax for that purpose

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Churches, &c.

And to raise a tax for purchasing land for building Churches, where none are—for burial-grounds, and parsonage-houses, and erecting bridges

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Slaves

Parishes to pay for all slaves executed, when prosecuted by their owners—not exceeding forty pounds each

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Workhouses

Work-houses to be built in the several parishes

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H A N O V E R.

Toll-book

Justices and Vestry of Hanover, to cause the Toll-books to be transcribed into new books, which are to be deemed legal and effectual records, after being sworn to and signed

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Penalty on the Clerk of the Peace, for not entering the affidavit directed to be made

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S T. A N D R E W.

Admiral's pen

The Receiver-General directed to pay 2500l. out of the public monies, to the Commissioners appointed by this act; who are to purchase thereout, the penn, penn lands, and buildings thereon, in St. Andrew, which were in possession of Admiral Keppel and others;—and the same vested in the Crown, for the use of the naval commander on this station, *pro tempore*

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The boundary line between the parishes of St. Andrew and Port-Royal, ascertained and established

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Where one settlement lies in both parishes, the taxes for the same to be paid to the parish wherein the works are situate

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Rio-Bueno

Trustees appointed to build a bridge over the Rio Bueno, and fully empowered Justices and Vestries of St. Ann, Trelawny, and St. James, empowered to lay a tax for raising 2000l.—and the Treasurer may receive subscriptions towards building the bridge, not exceeding 2000l.

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ST. CATHERINE.

Market

Justices and Vestry of Saint Catherine empowered to lay out or purchase land in St. Jago de la Vega, and build a market-house—to raise a tax for that purpose, and appoint persons to superintend the same; and remove them for misdemeanors

To hire out the stalls, and apply the rent in repairs

Church-wardens made a body politic and corporate, with full power relative to the stalls—to sue and be sued as a corporation, and made responsible to the Justices and Vestry for monies received

Penalty and punishment on persons, free or slaves, for selling fresh fish within five miles of St. Jago de la Vega, between certain hours, in any other place than appointed by the Justices and Vestry

Free Negroes

Free Mulattoes, &c. killing horned cattle, sheep, &c. for sale in the market, how to conduct themselves; under penalty of forfeiting the same

Watch

Justices and Vestry empowered to raise a tax for supporting a nightly watch in St. Jago de la Vega

Land

So much of a former act for vesting certain lands in St. Catherine's, in the Justices, Vestry-men and Church-wardens, &c. passed in 1766, as relates to the annual rent of foot land, repealed; and such lands to be leased at annual rents, not less than two-pence per foot

And so much of said act of 1766, as relates to the annual rent of acre land, also repealed; and such land to be leased at the discretion of the Justices and Vestry

The Justices of St. John, to pay 450l. into the hands of the acting Church-warden of St. Catherine's, for repairing the road from St. Jago de la Vega, over the Savanna, to the foot of the Red Hills, leading to Guanaboa

ST. DOROTHY.

Barracks

The Justices and Vestry of St. Dorothy empowered to raise one hundred pounds annually by a tax, for repairs and accommodations for the soldiers at Old Harbour Bay, during a certain time

Trustees added to those appointed by a former act of 1767, and empowered to sell the parcel of land therein mentioned, and to purchase a more convenient piece with houses and buildings near Old Harbour, to be used as barracks

The said premises vested in the Trustees, for the use of the Inhabitants—To admit the Justices and Vestry to appropriate the same as they think proper

Who may apply a surpluse arising from the parochial taxes, and remaining in the hands of the Church-wardens, in aid of the money above directed to be raised—for keeping the barracks, &c. in repair

ST. ELIZABETH.

Ferry

Justices and Vestry of St. Elizabeth's to establish a Ferry, or Ferry-boat, toll free, cross the Black River at Gravesend, and to raise the money by a tax

Punishment of persons for wilfully destroying or damaging the same

River-Wardens

Justices and Vestry empowered on the day of electing Church-wardens, to elect River-wardens; and if they neglect so doing, the Justices in sessions to appoint them

No person exempted from serving—how to conduct themselves on being chosen, and penalty—Clerk of the Vestry to give them notice of the same

Justices and Vestry empowered to lay a tax for cleaning the rivers, &c.—On their neglect, the River-wardens may lay the same

Penalty on River-wardens for neglecting to clean the rivers, or the part allotted them

To be the sole judges of the abilities of slaves sent to work; and if unable, to report them—To employ them in fopping trees, and cleaning the navigation

May issue their warrants to the Constables to warn in workers—Penalty on persons for not sending their allotments of slaves, tools, &c.

How the River-wardens and Justices are to proceed against persons for not sending their allotments

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| Overfeers | Overfeers to answer for their defaults in fending allotments, out of their wages— but the levies to be made on the flaves of the proprietor | 97 | 8, 10 |
| | Penalty on perfons for cafting in rubbish, or otherwife obtructing the navigation | — | 12 |
| | On what pretences perfons are not to with-hold their flaves from working— Slaves, cattle, wains, &c. not to be taken whiſt at work, by the Marſhal—and penalty | — | 13, 14 |
| Land | Juſtices and Veſtry empowered to lay a tax for purchaſing drags, &c.—For hiring perfons to clean the rivers, and to apply part of the penalties to that purpoſe | — | 5, 16 |
| | About one fixth of an acre of land at Black River, with a building thereon, veſted in Truſtees to be fold—How the monies to be applied | — | 27—29 |
| GRAVESEND HARBOUR. | | | |
| Ships | All ſhips and other veſſels trading North of the Tropic, or between the Tropics, to pay certain duties to the Receiver-General, on arriving in Graveſend harbour | — | 17 |
| | Maſters of veſſels within three days after mooring, to give certificate that the Wa- ter-Bailiff has done his duty therein | — | 19 |
| | All diſputes concerning the mooring of veſſels, to be ſettled by the Commiſſioners; who are to be Commiſſioners for carrying this act into execution | — | 24, 25 |
| Receiver-Ge- neral | Penalty on the Receiver General, for clearing out veſſels before duties paid—pro- vided the Water Bailiff has left with him a certificate as above | — | 18 |
| | To pay all orders drawn on him by the Governor, for payment of ſalary or other expences | — | 22 |
| Governor | Governor empowered to appoint a Water-Bailiff, with a ſalary | — | 20 |
| Water Bailiff | To be ſworn before the Commiſſioners, and perſonally attend the duty required of him—and penalty—Liabie to make good any damage ariſing through his ignorance or negligence in mooring veſſels, and follow the directions of the Com- miſſioners therein—and penalty | — | 21—24 |
| Ballast | Penalty on perfons for throwing over-board ballaſt into the ſaid harbour | — | 26 |
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| Trelawney | The pariſh of St. James divided into two diſtinct pariſhes, called St. James and Trelawny | 24 | 1 |
| | And the Church-wardens of both pariſhes to receive ſuch proportion of the taxes, &c. already raiſed, as was levied by the pariſh of Trelawney before the diviſion; and each pariſh to raiſe money in proportion for diſcharging the debts due from St. James's at the diviſion | — | 2 |
| | Clerk of St. James's Veſtry to attend the elections in Trelawney—and penalty | — | 4 |
| | The maintenance of the poor in both pariſhes, to be equally provided for by the Juſtices and Veſtry of both pariſhes | — | 6 |
| | Juſtices and Veſtry empowered to raiſe fix thouſand pounds, by a tax, beſides what allowed by act 19 for building churches, &c. and to apply the ſame in pur- chaſing land and building a court-houſe at Montego-Bay, and keeping the ſame in repair | 37 | 1—5 |
| | Truſtees appointed for building a bridge over the Rio-Bueno, and the Juſtices and Veſtry empowered to lay a tax | 104 | 1—9 |
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| Roads | The Juſtices and Veſtry of St. John obliged to lay a tax for raiſing 450l. and to pay the ſame before the 1ſt of Auguſt, 1778, to the acting Churchwarden of St. Catherine, to be laid out in amending the road from St. Jago de la Vega, over the Savanna, to the foot of the Red Hills leading to Guanaboa—ſo much of a former act as reſpects the ſaid road—repealed | 60 | 1—3 |
| S T. M A R Y. | | | |
| Barracks | The barracks at Oracabeſſa and Jack's-bay declared public, and the Juſtices and Veſtry compelled to lay a tax for keeping them in repair—and Penalty | 7 | 1 |
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| | Sixty acres of land, upon which barracks have been built at Bagnall's Thickets, in St. Mary's, vested in the Justices and Vestry of St. Thomas in the Vale, for the use of that parish | 98 | 1 |
| | Ninety acres of land in St. Mary's, devised to trustees by the will of <i>Thomas Manning</i> , deceased, vested in Justices and Vestry for the use of the Poor: and who are for that purpose only made a body politic and corporate, and empowered when met in vestry to grant leases, to sue, and be sued as a corporation, and to apply the rents and profits of the land towards supporting the Poor | 99 | 1-4 |
| | P O R T L A N D. | | |
| Settlers | Second clause of an explanatory act, for the further encouraging the settling the parish of Portland, repealed | 5 | 1, 2 |
| Governor | Governor to grant to white persons, willing to become settlers, any part of the unsettled lands, in quantities not exceeding 500 acres, under particular restrictions | — | 3 |
| Patents | King's land in Portland may be patented in the same manner as lands in other parishes, free from the restrictive clauses in former acts | 84 | 1 |
| | Persons holding lands by virtue of patents, under said former laws, to hold the same free from the restrictions thereby imposed, and all the restrictive clauses therein repealed; but this act not to confirm titles to lands in said parish patented within four years | — | 2, 3 |
| | P O R T - R O Y A L. | | |
| St. David | The boundary line between the parishes of Port-Royal and St. David, ascertained and established | 102 | 1-2 |
| | Where any sugar plantation lies in both parishes, the same to be taken to be in the parish in which the mansion-house is | — | 3 |
| | T R E L A W N E Y. | | |
| | What proportion of taxes to be received for Trelawney, and what proportion the same is to pay of the debts due from St. James's, at the division | 24 | 2 |
| | Justices to issue warrants for summoning freeholders to choose Vestry-men and Church-wardens | — | 3 |
| | Clerk of the Vestry to keep a book for recording the names of the freeholders, and the other usual books—Freeholders to have a right of voting at elections.— | — | 4 |
| | Clerk of the Vestry to attend such elections—and penalty | — | 5, 6 |
| Rio-Bueno | To pay the Incumbent 200 l. per annum—and provide for the poor equally with the parish of St. James | 104 | 1-7 |
| | Trustees appointed for building a bridge across the Rio Bueno, at the present public ford, and fully empowered | — | 8, 9 |
| | Justices and Vestries of St. Ann, Trelawney, and St. James, empowered to lay a tax for raising 2000 l. and the Treasurer may receive subscriptions not exceeding 2000 l. towards building the bridge | — | — |
| | M A R T H A B R Æ H A R B O U R. | | |
| Ships | All ships trading North of the Tropic, or between the Tropics, to pay certain duties to the Receiver-General on their arrival in Martha Bræ harbour | 111 | 1 |
| | Masters of vessels within three days after their mooring, to give certificates that the Water Bailiff has done his duty | — | 3 |
| | How vessels are to be moored in general, and during the Hurricane months from the 1st of August to the 30th of November—and penalty | — | 7, 8 |
| | All disputes concerning the mooring of vessels, to be settled by the Commissioners | — | 10 |
| | The Justices and Vestry of Trelawney, or any three of them, one being a Justice, appointed Commissioners under this act | — | 11 |
| Receiver-General | Penalty on the Receiver-General for clearing out vessels before the duties paid; provided the Water Bailiff has left with him the master's certificate, as above | — | 2 |
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| Rec. General Governor | To pay all orders drawn on him by the Governor, for salary and other expences | III | 5 |
| Water-bailiff | The Governor empowered to appoint a Water Bailiff, with a salary | — | 4 |
| | Water Bailiff to be sworn before the Commissioners, to the due execution of his office | — | 5 |
| | Justices and Vestry empowered to raise a tax for payment of his salary, not exceeding one hundred and forty pounds | — | 6 |
| | Water Bailiff to make good all damages arising from his ignorance or neglect in mooring vessels—No Commissioner or Wharfinger to be a Water Bailiff | — | 9 |
| | Penalty on him for not following the directions of the Commissioners, respecting the mooring of vessels | — | 10 |
| Fire | To have the direction and charge of vessels happening to take fire, in order to extinguish the same—and penalty for obstructing him in the execution of that duty | — | 13 |
| Ballast | Penalty on persons for throwing over-board ballast into the harbour | — | 12 |
| ST. THOMAS IN THE VALE. | | | |
| St. Mary Barracks | Sixty-one acres, part of 2000 acres at Bagnall's Thickets in St. Mary's, vested in the Justices and Vestry of St. Thomas in the Vale, to sell the same, and with the money to purchase land in the last named parish, and build barracks thereon | 93 | 1, 2 |
| | The same vested in the Trustees.—If the monies arising by sale of said land be not sufficient for the purpose, Justices and Vestry may lay a tax | — | 3, 4 |
| WESTMORELAND. | | | |
| Carriages | The day for choosing Vestry-men and Church wardens for Westmoreland altered from the third Tuesday in March to the third Tuesday in January | 28 | 2 |
| | Wheels of carriages for carrying produce, to be of certain dimensions.—[See title CARRIAGES] | 31 | 1 |
| Toll-book | Justices and Vestry to cause the Toll books to be transcribed into new books; and the same to be deemed legal and effectual records, after being sworn to and signed | 81 | 1, 2 |
| Gaol | Penalty on the Clerk of the Peace for not entering the affidavit directed to be made | — | 2 |
| | The old gaol for the county of Cornwall, and the lands whereon erected, vested in the Justices and Vestry of Westmoreland, to sell the same, and apply the monies towards building a gaol on a more convenient spot—And a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds of the public monies, to be applied for that purpose | 65 | 1, 2 |
| Savanna-la-Mar Court-house Market | Trustees appointed and empowered to cause land to be laid out, whereon to rebuild the town of Savanna-la-Mar; to erect a Court House; establish a Market; make leases and grants; purchase lands; cut canals; make aqueducts, &c. with other necessary powers and regulations respecting the same—Duty of Magistrates and other officers—Power of raising taxes, &c. particularly enumerated and established—and penalties | 78 | 1—25 |
| Actions | Actions brought for any thing done under this act, to be commenced within twelve months, and laid in Cornwall.—Defendant to plead the general issue, and suitor, if cast, to pay treble costs.—This act deemed public | — | 23, 24 |
| | Justices and Vestry empowered to lay a tax for raising a further sum of 2000l. for building the above Court house, and to repair the same out of the annual tax | 103 | 1, 2 |
| QUIT-RENTS. | | | |
| Lands | The former act for the better discovering and collecting Quit-rents, &c. repealed from the first of January, 1784 | 113 | 1 |
| | Persons who own or possess land in their own or wife's right, required to deliver in on the 28th of March, 1784, a true and exact account thereof, on oath, to the Justices and Vestry, &c.—Particulars of such accounts specified | — | 9 |
| | And all mortgagees and other persons possessed in the right of others, to give in, in like manner | — | 3 |
| | Persons to give in the true and actual quantity of lands, with their respective boundaries, whether more or less than is mentioned in their patents or orders—if more, to be chargeable with Quit-rents for the same accordingly; and if less, to pay only for what they possess | — | 4, 5 |

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| Lands | Persons holding lands by order, or in any other manner than by patent, to pay Quit-rents for the same at the same rate as for patent lands, viz. One halfpenny per acre from the 1st of January, 1784; and for foot land, one halfpenny per foot—Owners of lands charged with Quit-rents, may surrender the same to the Crown, on oath, in lieu of Quit-rents | 113 | 6 |
| | Persons applying for grants of lands surrendered as above, to take the prescribed oath | — | 7 |
| | Quit-rents due before the 1st of January, 1760, and interest due thereon, or on any other Quit-rents up to the 1st of November, 1784, discharged—and every person giving in as above, shall pay or give bond to the King, for payment of principal of Quit-rents from the 1st of January, 1760, due on the above date, with interest at six pounds per cent. to the Receiver-General | — | 8 |
| | Persons neglecting to give in as by this act required, and pay or give bond for the same, to be chargeable with interest at twelve pounds per cent. from three years after due, and forfeit one hundred pounds—but default of agents, &c. not to charge the owners therewith | — | 9 |
| | Discount allowed for interest paid on Quit-rents from the 1st of January, 1760, to persons who shall give in and satisfy the same | — | 10 |
| | Persons conveying or transferring lands, to give in to the Clerk of the Vestry, an account of the quantity conveyed, &c. or continue to be charged to the full amount of such lands | — | 14 |
| | Persons living at a distance from, or cannot attend at the usual place of giving in, may give in before a Magistrate; who is to administer the oath prescribed | — | 16 |
| | Persons guilty of perjury on giving in, how punishable | — | 17 |
| | Persons liable to pay Quit-rents, their Agents or Overseers neglecting to attend and give in, upon due notice, may be taxed or assessed one sixth part more than they otherwise would have been charged with:—But if the default be that of the Agent or Overseer, he is to pay such assessment, or be liable to distress—If no distress found, property of the principal liable | — | 18 |
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| S E T T L E R S. | | | |
| Loyalists | Loyalists, (being white persons) exempt from duties for slaves brought by them to this island, with intent to settle | 107 | 1 |
| | — Exempted for seven years from all taxes, (except Quit-Rents hereafter to become due) and from all services, duty and offices, except in the Militia | — | 2 |
| | Charges of patenting land to be paid by the public | — | 3 |
| | To make affidavit before a Magistrate of what slaves brought by them to this Island, and the cause and intention of their coming | — | 4 |
| | King's subjects driven from the Bay of Honduras, or the Mosquito-shore, entitled to the like benefit | — | 5 |
| | Provided all such patentees proceed with their settlements within two years—or the same to be forfeited.—The exemption from taxes to endure only so long as the persons entitled, or their heirs, shall continue possessed in their own rights | — | 6 |
| S H I P S. | | | |
| Fees | So much of a former act, for regulating fees passed in 1711, as established the fees of the Collector, Naval Officer, Secretary, and Receiver-General, for entering and clearing vessels trading to and from this Island, repealed | 114 | 1 |
| | And the fees of the several officers concerned in entering and clearing vessels, specified and established, excepting for those trading to and from this Island under the British free-port act | — | 2, 3 |
| | A printed copy of the table of fees to be fixed up in each office, under penalty of 50l.—Penalty for not attending during the office hours prescribed, and for taking any greater fees than allowed by this act | — | 4 |
| Clerks | Clerks employed in those offices, offending against this act to forfeit 50l. and declared incapable of being employed in any public office of this island—And penalty on officers who shall employ them, 200l. | — | 4 |
| Officers of Forts | Penalty on Commanders of Forts for stopping vessels, on frivolous pretences, from proceeding to their ports of discharge, or preventing their departure—having a | | permit |

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| | permit.—This act not to extend to prevent the Governor from stopping vessels for sufficient cause | 114 | 5 |
| Flags of Truce | Flags of truce and other vessels, having on board more than the necessary quantity of naval stores, in order to carry them off the island, to be confiscated | 105 | 4, 5 |
| Contraband goods | Vessels importing certain goods prohibited by this act, to be forfeited | 118 | 1 |
| S L A V E S. | | | |
| Inveigling | Several former Inveigling acts repealed | 74 | 1 |
| | To steal clandestinely, send off the Island, or deface the mark of any slave the property of another—death without benefit of clergy | — | 2 |
| | Persons inveigling, harbouring or employing the slaves of another, to forfeit one hundred pounds, and suffer imprisonment, not exceeding six months; provided such slaves came not into possession in a regular manner | — | 3 |
| Free Negroes, &c. | Free Negroes, &c. concealing slaves, or sending them off the Island, to lose their freedom, and be transported | — | 34 |
| | Persons under pretence of title or otherwise, detaining out of the possession of others, any slaves that had been in their possession six months, without due course of law, to forfeit one hundred pounds | — | 4 |
| | — holding slaves under lease, detaining them after the same is expired; or if hired by parol, not delivering them up on fourteen days demand, to be deemed offenders against this act—unless it appears that the slaves had runaway against such holders will, &c. | — | 5 |
| | How penalties to be recovered and applied | — | 23, 24 |
| | All persons necessarily attending trials under this act, protected in their persons from process | — | 27 |
| Maintenance | Slaves hiring themselves out, without licence of their owners, to be whipped | — | 31 |
| | Marshals or Gaol-keepers in Surry and Middlesex, empowered to charge owners of slaves 1 s. 3 d. per day, for their maintenance | 85 | 1 |
| | Several acts and clauses of acts, relating to the government of slaves, &c. repealed | 91 | 1 |
| | Slaves to be allotted sufficient land for planting provisions, or be otherwise provided for; and be found sufficient cloathing annually | — | 2—4 |
| | Slaves taking up or informing of runaways, or of others being guilty of gaming or theft, how to be rewarded | — | 5 |
| Dismembering | Persons mutilating or dismembering slaves, to forfeit one hundred pounds, and suffer such other punishment as the court shall inflict, and be liable to an action of damages | — | 7 |
| Holidays | Slaves to be allowed the usual number of holidays | — | 11 |
| Drumming, &c. | — not to be permitted to assemble and beat drums, &c. on plantations—but may be permitted to meet for innocent amusement | — | 12—14 |
| Fire arms, &c. | — being found with guns, &c. in their custody, unless under directions of a white man, or having a ticket expressive of the reason, how punishable | — | 15 |
| | Punishment of slaves for offering violence to white persons | — | 16 |
| Runaways | An act for preventing slaves from deserting from their owners, &c. passed in 1763, repealed | 10 | 1 |
| | Another act passed in 1774, for preventing runaways from being harboured, &c. also repealed | 74 | 1 |
| | Slaves found eight miles distance from their plantations, &c. without a ticket, to be deemed runaways | 91 | 17 |
| | Persons apprehending runaways, how much to be paid, and in what circumstances—to carry them to their owners, or to the next gaol or work-house | — | 18, 19 |
| | Quarterly accounts of runaways to be given in to the Custos or a Magistrate in each parish, upon oath | — | 20 |
| | Runaways sent to the gaol or work-house, to be advertised by the keeper; and if not taken out in twelve months, may be sold | — | 24, 25 |
| | Slaves having been in the Island two years, and runaway for six months, how punishable | — | 32 |
| | Slaves running away and attempting to go off the Island, and those aiding and assisting them, to suffer death, or other discretionary punishment | — | 2 |
| | Similar clause | 91 | 45 |
| Free Negroes | Free Negroes, &c. aiding or assisting slaves to get off, to lose their freedom and be transported by the Marshal—and if afterwards found in the island, to suffer death | 10 | 3—5 |
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| | Similar clause | 91 | 46 |
| | White persons guilty of the like offence to forfeit 100l. and suffer a discretionary imprisonment, not exceeding twelve months | 10 | 6 |
| | Same clause | 91 | 47 |
| | Accessaries may be proceeded against, whether principal be convicted or not | 10 | 7 |
| | Same clause | 91 | 48 |
| Convicts | Convict Slaves returning from transportation, to be executed by virtue of a Magistrate's warrant | — | 33 |
| | How Slaves are to be tried for capital offences—Two days notice of such trial to be given | — | 28, 29 |
| | Slaves prosecuted by their owners, if executed, to be paid for by the parish, not exceeding 40l. each | — | 30, 31 |
| | How slaves are to be tried for petty offences—Expences attending such trials to be paid by their owners | — | 35 |
| Murder | Any person killing a slave—first offence, Felony within clergy, and imprisonment, not exceeding twelve months; and if it be the slave of another, to pay the owner 100l.—Second offence, in either case, made felony without benefit of clergy | — | 37 |
| | Punishment of slaves for having in their custody more than 20lb. of fresh meat | — | 44 |
| beah | Slaves convicted of the practice of Obeah, to suffer death or transportation | — | 49 |
| | Punishment of persons for cruelly beating of Slaves, not being their property, &c. | — | 8 |
| Tickets | Penalty on owners, &c. for permitting slaves to go out from plantations, &c. without tickets—and punishment on the slaves so going out | — | 9 |
| Free Negroes, &c. | Free Negroes, &c. granting tickets in order to conceal runaways, to be deemed guilty of forgery, and suffer accordingly | — | 22 |
| | Similar clause respecting white persons | — | 23 |

S M U G G L I N G.

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| | All sugars, rum, &c. imported into this Island, (except under the British regulations) of the growth of any of the French, Spanish, Dutch or Danish colonies, to be forfeited, together with the vessels importing the same, and the Owners to forfeit five hundred pounds | 118 | 1 |
| | And all Officers of the Customs, Receiver-General, Naval-Officer, and Magistrates, required under penalty of one hundred pounds, to seize such goods and vessels.—Officers of ships of war, and of the militia, and other persons acting under a Justice's authority, empowered to make such seizures | — | 2 |
| | Notice of such seizures to be sent to the Attorney-General, by the persons making them | — | 3 |
| | And who are, under penalty, to detain a sufficient number of the crews, in order to be examined, touching the goods and vessels seized | — | 4 |
| | Who are to be committed, or enter into recognizance for appearance | — | 5 |
| | On information given of goods illicitly imported being concealed in any house, &c. locked up, a Magistrate to grant Writ of Assistance to the Marshal, or a Constable, to search the same | — | 6 |
| | In all disputes respecting contraband goods, the <i>Onus probandi</i> to lie on the importer | — | 7 |
| | Vessels having on board any sugars, &c. the growth of any American colony, not under the King's dominions, entering any harbour, not being a port of entry, to be forfeited, together with the cargo | — | 8 |
| Perjury | Punishment of persons committing perjury under this act | — | 13 |

SURVEYORS and SURVEYING.

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| Diagrams | In what manner Surveyors are to make out and return diagrams or schemes, and lay them before a Court and Jury—and penalty | 73 | 1 |
| | To give ten days notice of surveying or re surveying; containing the particulars of the land to be surveyed, &c. and the time when—and penalty —If the survey, &c. be not then taken, new notice to be given, or the business to be void; and no survey to be good, unless the person served attend the same, or an affidavit be made of service | — | 2, 4 |
| | | | Punishment |

An ABRIDGMENT of the ACTS.

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Patents

Punishment of Surveyors for presuming to run out any land settled upon, under the quiet possessioning law, or delivering a plat thereof to any but those in possession.-- Patent granted on such plat, declared void

Act. Clause.

7 3

Penalty for defacing or removing lines fixed by judgments, or returning any plat under order for King's lands, which shall be afterwards found to be covered by prior plats, unless at the possessor's desire.-- To annex an affidavit to such returns, to authenticate them

5-7

Fees

Surveyors fees specified

8-10

Penalty on them for demanding greater fees than those allowed by this act

13

To serve five years apprenticeship, and be examined.-- Persons not qualified, acting as Surveyors, to forfeit one hundred pounds, &c.

11

To produce to the Chief-Judge, on taxation of bills, their diagrams, and explain the foundation of their charges-- Notice to be given of taxing bills

12, 13

Ejectments

Surveyors bills in ejectments to be paid by the party against whom judgment is given, or who shall apply for a new trial

17

In actions of ejectment only one Surveyor to be appointed for both parties-- to return only one diagram for the Court, and one for the Jury, and give copy thereof to the Attorney for each party.-- Manner of appointing Surveyors

14, 15

Perjury

Surveyors guilty of perjury under this act, how punishable

14

Bribery

Surveyors either before, or pending ejectments, receiving any fee, reward, or gratuity, not allowed by this act, to be deemed guilty of bribery and corruption, to be fined one thousand pounds, and suffer twelve months imprisonment-- and persons giving or offering such bribes to Surveyors, made punishable in like manner

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TRADE and MERCHANDIZE.

Madeira wine, &c.

Penalty on persons importing Madeira or other wines (not bottled) in casks of different dimensions to those prescribed by this act

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Butter, Soap, &c.

Penalty for selling butter, soap, candles, tallow, rice, flour, or biscuit, by invoice, or otherwise than by weight

3 1

Staves and Shingles

No staves or shingles less than the stated dimensions to be imported; and penalty on persons importing such

11 7, 8

Naval Stores

Second clause of a former act for regulating trade, passed in 1722, repealed

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Flags of Truce or other vessels having on board more than the necessary quantity of naval stores, in order for carrying them off the Island, to be confiscated, together with the cargo

105 4

Collector

And the Collector of the Customs and Naval-officer may proceed against the same by information of the Supreme Court

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Naval-officer

How the monies arising at the sales thereof, to be applied

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TRADE and TRADESMEN.

Measurers

Penalty on Timber-measurers, for not attending on notice, and doing their duty-- to be examined, appointed and sworn, by the Justices in sessions, and to have a certificate

11 1, 2

Penalty for acting as Public-measurers, without being first qualified -- Their fees specified

3, 4

Retailers

Penalty for marking boards, &c. for more than they measure

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Penalty on retailers of rum, &c. for permitting slaves to meet, drink and game, in and about their houses

91 30

Shop-keepers

Shop-keepers or Traders hawking and peddling without licence, how punishable

95 10

Transient traders

Transient traders in the town of St. Jago de la Vega, made liable to be taxed under this act

4 10

The like in the town of Kingston, under this act

92 11

V E S T R I E S.

Negro huts

Justices and Vestries in the three towns empowered to grant warrants for pulling down Negro-huts, not built agreeable to the directions of this act, &c.

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Ministers

Penalty for paying stipends to beneficed ministers, not residing and officiating in their proper parishes

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| Gaols | Justices and Vestry-men empowered to lay a tax for building gaols, and the same to be vested in them | 17 | 1 |
| | Rolls to be made out by the Clerk, and signed by the Justices, and the taxes levied or distrained for in the usual manner | — | 2 |
| Martial-law Free Negroes, &c. Slaves | And empowered to lay a tax for raising a further sum, for the purposes in act 17 | 41 | 2 |
| | To proceed to the discharge of their duty during Martial-law--and penalty | 61 | 5 |
| | To make enquiry into the number of free Negroes, &c. in their respective parishes, and to cause them to attend and give in an account of their freedom, &c. | 91 | 51 |
| Licences Churches, &c. | Empowered to lay a tax to pay for slaves executed, when put upon trial by their owners | — | 31 |
| | To direct the application of the monies paid for Hawkers and Pedlars licences | 95 | 4 |
| Land | Justices and Vestries of parishes wherein are no Churches, Parsonage-houses, &c. empowered to lay a tax towards purchasing land and building same thereon, and for building Bridges, &c. | 19 | 1 |
| | To cause the lines of lands that have been heretofore granted to and vested in Trustees, for the use of the rectors, and upon their application, to be run; and in case of trespass, to proceed at law for recovery thereof--and Commissioners appointed | — | 2, 4 |
| Quit rents | Justices and Vestries, or Justices of parishes where no Vestries are, or the Vestries where no Justices are, required to receive the quarterly accounts given in, of lands to be charged with Quit-rents | 113 | 11 |
| | And within two months after the 1st of September in every year, to transmit the accounts given in, of lands lying in another parish, to the Justices and Vestry, &c. of that parish | — | 12 |
| | Within one month after the 1st of September, 1784, to cause all such accounts given in or transmitted to them, to be transcribed into a book, and send an attested copy thereof before the 1st of November, 1784, to the Receiver-General's office, together with the originals | — | 13 |
| | To cause all accounts of lands lying in their respective parishes, to be in like manner entered, transcribed and sent to the Receiver-General's office, within sixty days after given in | — | 20 |
| | To issue warrants once every year, for summoning freeholders, &c. to meet on the 28th of March, or twenty-eight days after, and give in their accounts of lands, on oath | — | 15 |
| | May tax or assess persons liable to pay Quit-rents, and not attending by themselves or agents to give in according to notice, one sixth part more than they would otherwise have been charged with | — | 18 |
| | Two Justices, or three Vestry-men, of each parish, empowered to sign rolls and warrants for collecting Quit-rents | — | 19 |
| | Justices and Vestry to appoint the Constables under this act, in the same manner as for collecting other taxes; who are for this purpose, to be considered as deputies to the Receiver-General; and to give security to the Church-wardens | — | 22 |
| | And empowered in their several parishes, (except those of Port-Royal, St. Catherine and Kingston) to chuse petty Constables, and to pay them out of the parish tax--and in case of death, &c. to appoint others | 58 | 1, 2 |
| | Justices and Vestries between the 1st of January and 25th of March annually to direct the Clerk of the Vestry, or of the Peace, to make out an exhibit list of all persons in their parish, and subscribe the same, together with a duplicate, and transmit them to the Chief-Justice | 116 | 3 |
| Clerks of Vestry | Clerks of Vestry to keep books, and enter therein true accounts of every freehold in their respective parishes, and give certificates of the same: To attend with such books at elections of members of the Assembly--Their fees for the same--to be paid by the Justices and Vestry--and penalties | 71 | 8 |
| | Required to enter accounts of runaway slaves, and produce them at the quarterly meetings of the Justices and Vestry | 91 | 20 |
| | Required to send quarterly to the commanding-officer of foot militia, lists of the names of persons given in to save deficiency--and penalty | 112 | 2 |
| | Within three days after giving in the accounts of lands chargeable with Quit-rents, to make out a roll of the quantities, and the sums to be paid thereon, with a warrant signed by two or more Justices, &c. and deliver the same to the Collecting-constable | 113 | 19 |
| | Empowered to charge twenty-five pounds per annum, for making out the rolls--except in Kingston | — | 23 |
| | Penalty on them for neglect of duty under this act | — | 24 |
| | | | WHARFS |
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WHARFS and WHARFINGERS.

| | | Act. | Claufe. |
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| Wharfs | If owners of wharfs take payment for goods landed, &c. the wharf to be deemed public | 89 | 1 |
| Wharfingers | Penalty on public wharfingers for not keeping wharf-books | — | 1 |
| | — for not keeping cranes, sheds and tarpaulins, and the sheds well covered | — | 2, 3 |
| | — for refusing to deliver out goods to the owner, on payment of the wharfage, &c. | — | 4 |
| | To put goods, liable to be damaged by wet, into dry stores, and to weigh and gauge produce, and penalty for not entering in their wharf books the marks and numbers of produce, &c. | — | 5, 6 |
| | And penalty for neglecting, once a year, to swear to the accounts entered in their wharf books | — | 7 |
| | — For refusal or neglect of duty, or demanding greater rates than those allowed | — | 9 |
| | — For not weighing, gauging, &c. all goods shipped or landed, and entering the same in their wharf books | 115 | 6 |
| | — for permitting any sugars, rum, &c. the growth of any French, Spanish, Dutch, or Danish Colony, not properly imported, to be landed at their wharfs | 118 | 1 |
| Wharfage, &c. | — on wharfingers for not fixing and keeping up in view a list of the rates of wharfage, as annexed to this act | 89 | 8 |

WHERRIES, BOATS, &c.

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| Kingston Port-Royal | Several clauses in two former acts—one passed in 1703, and the other in 1712, for encouraging white men to come to this island—repealed | 36 | 1 |
| | All wherries, boats and canoes, for carrying passengers, or goods for hire, about the harbours of Kingston and Port Royal, to be numbered and registered in the Naval Office—and the number and name wrote on the stern—and penalty | — | 2 |
| | Penalty on owners of wherries, &c. for not proceeding with passengers when required, between certain, and what hours—how the same to be manned | — | 3 |
| | Rates of fare or hire fixed.—Penalties made recoverable before a Magistrate | — | 4, 5 |

WORK-HOUSES.

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| | Justices, Vestrymen, and Members of Assembly, for each parish, may erect work-houses—and who, together with the Church-wardens, are to meet and chuse officers, &c. | 82 | 2 |
| | Same clause repeated | 119 | 2 |
| | Commissioners appointed and made a body politic and corporate, and to sue and be sued as a corporation, and have a common seal—five to make a Quorum—to make rules and ordinances for the government of the respective Work-houses | 82 | 3 |
| | Same clause | 119 | 3 |
| | White people to be kept separate from the free negroes, &c. | 82 | 6 |
| | Same clause | 119 | 6 |
| | President, &c. when houses provided for the reception of vagabonds, &c. to give public notice of the same—how the slaves committed are to be employed, and the profits arising therefrom applied | 82 | 7 |
| | Same clause | 119 | 7 |
| Supervisors | All the laws in force, binding on the Marshals or Gaol-keepers, respecting the payment of mile-money, &c. to be equally binding on Supervisors of Work-houses, who are to pay such reward or mile-money as allowed by law—to be re-paid the same by the owners, together with 6d. per day for maintenance | 82 | 8 |
| | Same clause | 119 | 8 |
| | The Officers appointed to give security to the President, &c. | 82 | 9 |
| | Same clause | 119 | 9 |
| | Governors and Guardians of Work-houses may receive from the Provost-Marshal or his Deputies, all Runaway Slaves in their possession, paying their fees | 91 | 16 |

WORK.

WORK-HOUSE KEEPERS and GAOLERS.

| | | Act. | Claufe. |
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| Slaves | Work house keepers and Gaolers to pay the reward and mile-money for slaves brought in, on oath being made, &c. | 91 | 19 |
| | Required to advertise slaves in their custody, every month, particularly describing them on oath—may detain slaves till fees paid | — | 24 |
| | May publicly sell slaves after being in their custody twelve months, giving due notice, and no claimant appearing, first carrying them before a Magistrate—Their receipt a good title to Purchasers | — | 25 |
| | When slaves die in their custody, and owners not known, &c. their fees to be paid by the public, on proof made | — | 26 |
| Gaol-keepers | Penalty on Gaol-keepers for working slaves sent into their custody, on any plantation or penn belonging to themselves; or hiring them out to work—gool. | — | 27 |
| W R I T S. | | | |
| | General directions to the Provost-Marshal and his deputies, and particular regulations respecting the service and execution of process | 116 | 1—13 |
| Martial-law | No writ or process, civil or criminal, to be discontinued by means of Martial-law | 44 | 1, 2 |
| Arrest | Writs of arrest or other process, against persons leaving the Island, may be issued and executed during Martial-law | 61 | 1 |
| Restitution | Also writs of restitution and possession, in cases of forcible entry and detainer. | — | 3 |
| Execution | A fee of 2 s. 6 d. to be paid to the Provost-marshal, on lodging original execution, for his entering satisfaction | 83 | 2 |
| Emblements | Writs of enquiry to issue in cases of emblements, and form of the writ | 87 | 1 |
| Affistance | Justices to issue writs of assistance, to search suspected places for contraband goods | 118 | 6 |
| Certiorari | Writs of certiorari (unless returnable immediately) not to remove proceedings of Justices in matters of forcible entry and detainer, until proceedings completed, &c. | 20 | 1 |
| Account | Where verdict given for plaintiff at the assizes in actions of account, the writ to the auditors may be made returnable immediately | 47 | 2 |
| Writs of Error | Writs of error and supersedeas not to stay execution on judgment until security be given to prosecute the same with effect | 28 | 1, 2 |
| Summons | Writs of summons for calling the Assembly, to have forty days between the teste and return | 71 | 2 |



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